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SOVIET MASSING TROOPS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.
Signs of increasing tension between Germany and Russia are becoming more marked, arising apparently from the Soviet belief that when French military resistance is over, Axis attention will be turned to the Balkans and the East.

Reports from Kaunas state that Soviet troops continue to arrive in Lithuania in large numbers and that at least 200,000 crossed the frontier yesterday.

Other reports indicate troop movements of some dimensions in various parts of the Reich, including the transfer from the Western Front to Poland and East Prussia of a further 20 divisions.

The rapprochement between Russia and Turkey is seen as indicating that Russian collaboration with Germany may be regarded as at an end.—Havas.

ARGENTINE TO INCREASE ARMAMENTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Buenos Aires, To-day.
The Government has requested Parliament to approve a bill authorizing the purchase of planes, anti-aircraft guns and other war materials. The bill also provides for the creation of a military production department.—Havas.

ITALIAN INTERESTS IN TUNISIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tunis, To-day.
The Italian Government has requested the French consul here to take care of Italian interests in Tunisia for the duration of the war.—Havas.

WEATHER FORECAST:—South and south-west winds, moderate to fresh, cloudy, rain.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.
OFFICIAL SOURCES IN FRANCE AND IN THE AXIS COUNTRIES CONTINUE TO PRESERVE COMPLETE SILENCE REGARDING THE FRANCO-GERMAN ARMISTICE NEGOTIATIONS, BUT THERE IS REASON NOW TO BELIEVE THAT THE PARLEYS ARE TAKING PLACE IN MADRID.

According to unconfirmed reports received in London, the first meeting between the plenipotentiaries took place yesterday morning and adjourned, indicating it is suggested a French effort to obtain better terms.

Nothing definite is forthcoming yet, however, and rumour is also suggesting that as the result of a meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the chairmanship of President Lebrun yesterday, the French are now likely to allow the Petain Government to expire without concluding an armistice and to continue the struggle in the French colonial possessions.—Havas.

"Fight On" Appeal

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Sao Paulo (Brazil), To-day.
French ex-Servicemen here have telegraphed to General Auguste Nogues, Resident-General of French Morocco, placing themselves at his disposal and declaring their confidence in him to preserve the integrity of the French Empire.—Havas.

Cabinet Meeting

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bordeaux, To-day.
The Cabinet met yesterday morning from 9 o'clock to 10.30 under President Lebrun.—Havas.

Italy Asked Also

Berlin, To-day.
A Rome report to the official German news agency states the French Government has asked the Italian Government as well as the German Government to inform them of conditions for an armistice.—Reuter.

Heavy Concentration On Rumanian Border

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin, To-day.
No less than 44 Soviet divisions are massed on the Rumanian frontier, the

FRENCH INVADE LIBYA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Algiers, To-day.
An official communique reports that French and Algerian formations closely contacted enemy positions in Libya 33 miles east of the Libyan-Tunisian frontier yesterday.

The French air force has shown great activity since Italy's entry into the war.

Important bombing operations have been carried out on the port of Tripoli and Cagliari, in Sardinia. First raid was on the night of June 15/16 when many hits were scored on wharves. The second raid, on the night of June 17/18, started a fire in hangars and destroyed many planes on the ground. The enemy's reaction was slight.—Havas.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE IN ABYSSINIA

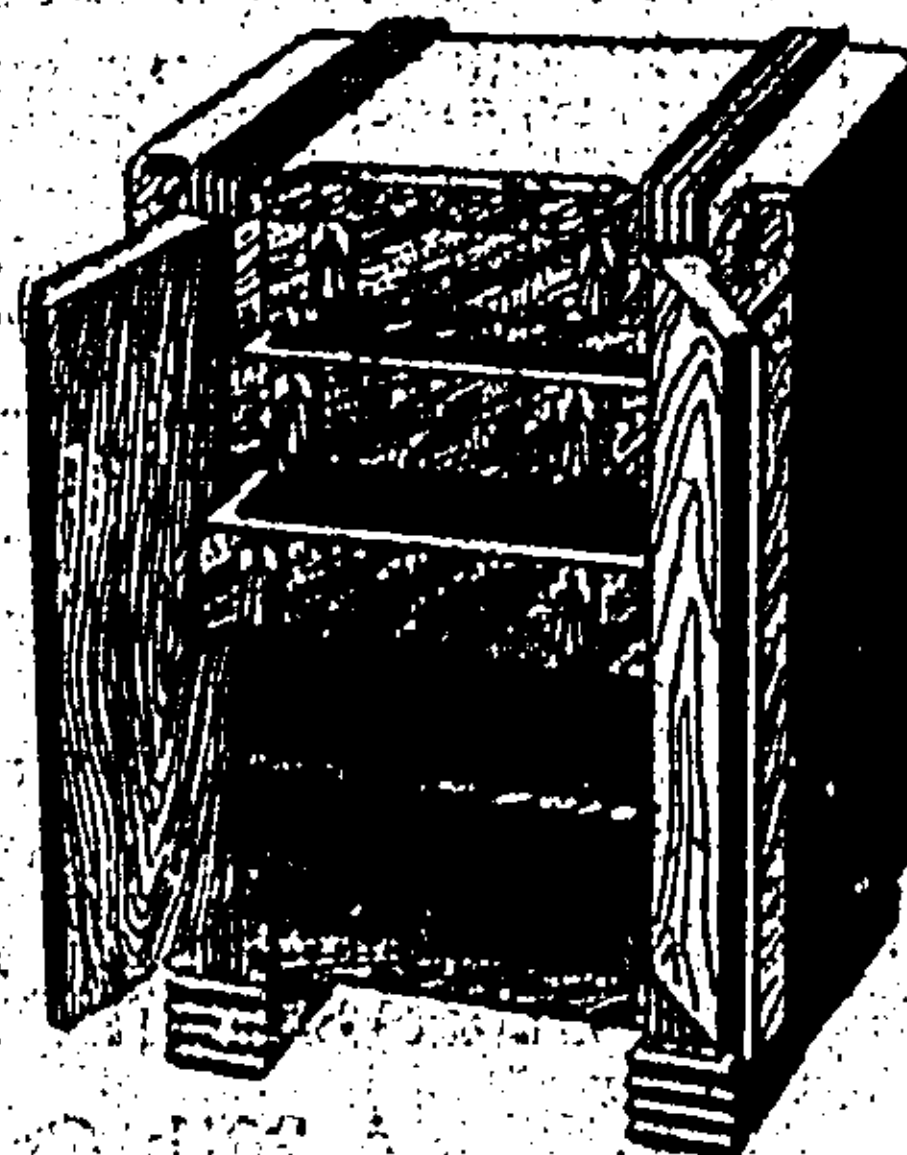
(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.
British forces launched an offensive along the borders of Abyssinia on Wednesday. It is officially announced.—Havas.

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CHUNGKING RESERVES COMMENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

THE WATCHWORD THAT NO COMMENT SHOULD BE GIVEN TO EUROPEAN EVENTS, UNLESS THE FAR EAST IS DIRECTLY CONCERNED, WAS FULLY OBEYED YESTERDAY.

The press refrained from discussing the possibility of an armistice in France. The chief subject of press commentaries was the alleged Japanese threat to British and French possessions in the Far East, particularly Indo-China.

The "China Times" says: "Japan may gamble her national fortune in an attempt to cut China's war of resistance but we must be prepared for the worst and overcome all obstacles."

The paper concludes by saying that the only way for China is to continue fighting until a just and honourable peace can be secured.—Havas.

R.A.F. GIVES THANKS

London, To-day.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Chief of the Air Staff, has issued the following message: "On behalf of the R.A.F., I desire to express the sincere gratitude of all ranks to the aircraft industry for the magnificent response to the additional calls upon the industry made in the past three weeks. In particular, the R.A.F. wishes to offer its thanks to the great body of men and women who, by working long hours at high pressure, have made it possible to achieve an outstanding contribution to our air effort.—British Wireless.

H.M.S. ANDANIA TORPEDOED

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announced last evening that the armed merchant cruiser, Andania, had been torpedoed by a U-boat and subsequently sank. Two of the crew were injured. The casualties and the entire ship's company have been landed at a British port.—British Wireless.

TRAWLER MISSING

London, To-day.

An Admiralty communique says H.M. trawler Jupiter, which was operating in northern Norwegian waters, is now overdue and must be considered lost.

The next of kin have been informed the crew are missing but it is possible some of them may be prisoners of war.—Reuter.

"U.S. MUST GO TO WAR NOW"

New York, June 6.

In an open letter to the United States Congress calling for immediate effective aid to the Allies Miss Dorothy Thompson, the noted American journalist, writes in the Herald-Tribune:

"You must act to protect the instruments of defence we already have at the place where they are already engaged in battle, namely, the British Navy in the North Sea and at Gibraltar and the French Army in France. For if they go the United States has lost the war and lost its power and will be the prisoner of Hitler."

"CRUEL CHOICE"

"There is talk in Washington now of building a two-ocean navy. Gentlemen, if the British Navy goes into German hands our destiny will have been settled before a keel is laid. There are times in history when a cruel choice cannot be avoided. This is such a time.

"If you are determined that the Nazi flag shall not wave over the world nor we live as its subjects, if you are determined that the principles of the Declaration of Independence and of Lincoln shall not perish from this earth, you should go to war, and go now. The logic of facts is inexorable.

"We should move now by sending every ship not in the Pacific to the Mediterranean and North Sea, and sending the 300 fittest of our army planes to France and Britain to help to protect their factories and production.—We must mobilise immediately the total man and machine power of America."

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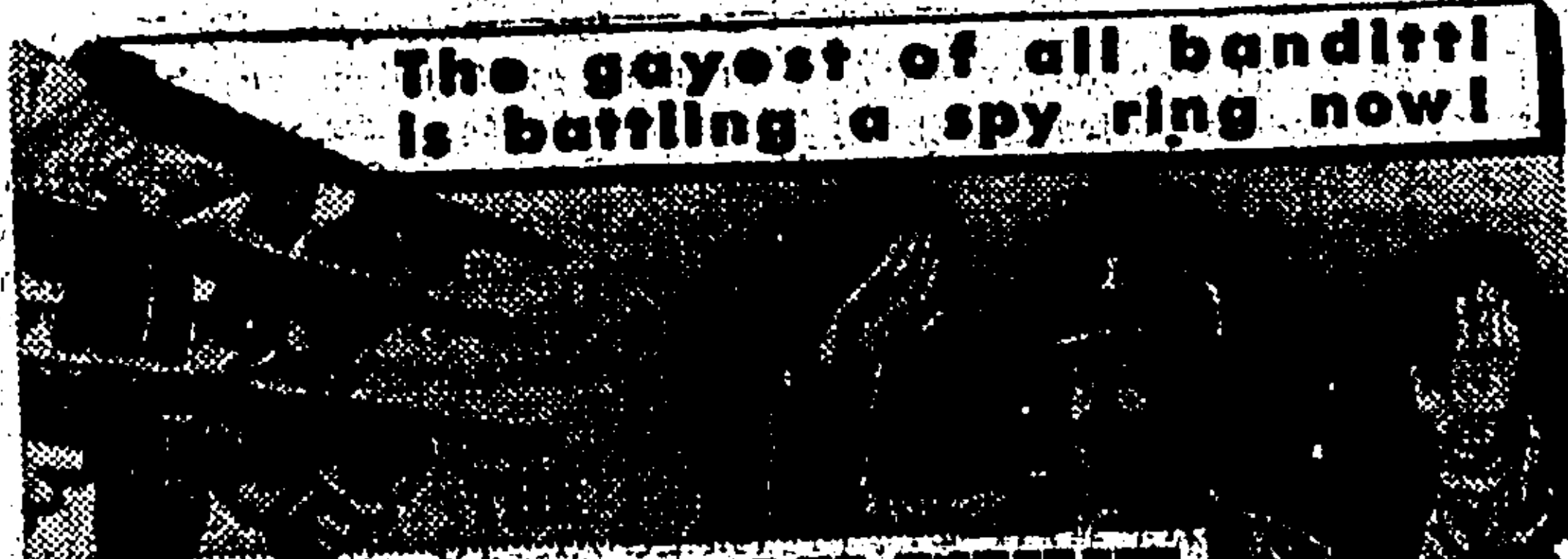
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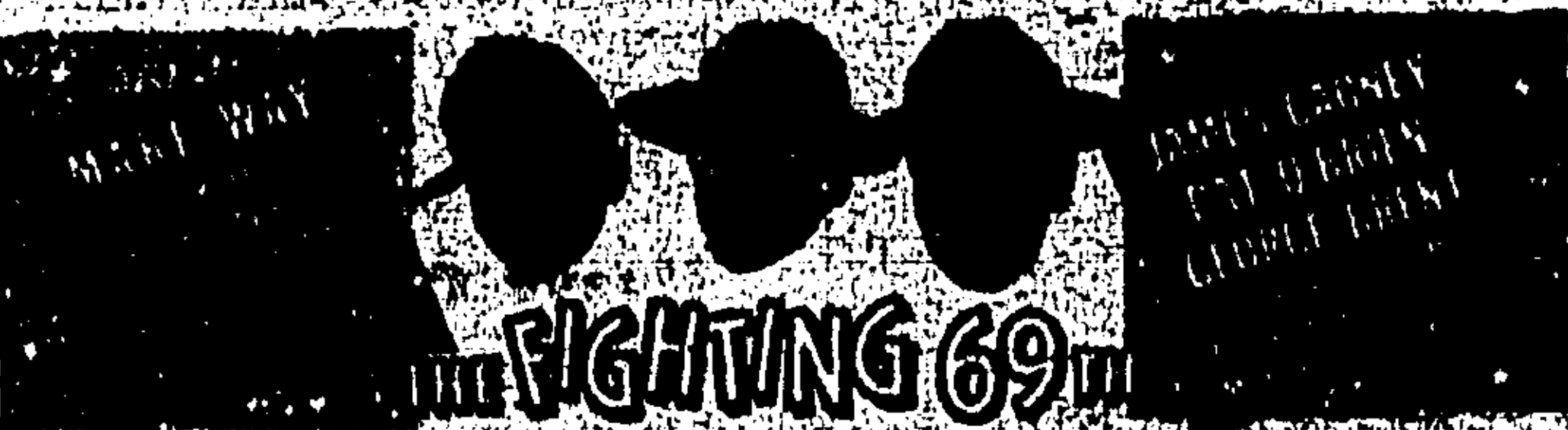


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AXIS POWERS JITTERY DESPITE "TRIUMPHS"

New York, To-day.

THE "NEW YORK TIMES" says it is noteworthy there is little jubilation in Italy over Hitler's success in France and warnings of precautions against the tough struggle ahead, launched at the moment of French defeat, indicate pretty clearly that the Italians believe the British will continue the war firm in their determination to save the Empire.

No less interesting are reports of the dismay mounting in Moscow as the German armies overrun France.

The Red Army moves in the Baltic strengthen the Russian frontiers against victorious Germany while at the same time staking out Soviet claims in a reorganised Europe.

The same motive inspires the new rapprochement of Russia and Turkey. Stalin considers the Dardanelles a vital link in the Soviet defence system.

These are moves of panic. Mussolini's last minute rush to join Hitler before he gathered in all the fruits of victory was also a move of panic.

Hitler's partners in crime are much more jittery than the British as they dig in grimly for a mass attack.—Reuter.

FUTURE OF LEAGUE

London, To-day.

In a Commons answer, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said the Secretary-General of the League was aware of the importance which the British Government attached to the preservation of the League Secretariat as a working organisation in so far as circumstances permitted.

Mr. Butler said he was confident M. Avenol was doing all in his power to achieve that end.—British Wireless.

AIR RAID WARDEN KILLED

London, To-day.

One of the killed in Wednesday night's German air raids on Britain was an Air Raid Warden who was patrolling the road, advising people to take cover. He is the first member of the A.R.P. services to lose his life through enemy action.—British Wireless.

INDIA'S WAR CAPACITY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. AMERY GAVE AN ASSURANCE IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WERE NO LESS ANXIOUS THAN HE HIMSELF TO DEVELOP INDIA'S WAR CAPACITY TO THE FULL.

He referred to the statement broadcast by the Commander in Chief in India at the end of May which gave details of the measures being taken by the Government of India to raise and equip the forces of India's maximum capacity and also expand her industrial productive output to provide war materials and necessities for use both in India and overseas.

The Secretary for India added: "It must be remembered that in India as elsewhere, the development of resources in man-power is conditioned by the supply of equipment."

With a view to making the best use of those resources, the Government of India and I are exploring every method of expediting the supply both of equipment and of the means of producing it and are pressing forward with our efforts to the utmost extent that is possible without hindering the supply of essential equipment required for immediate use elsewhere in the present emergency.—British Wireless.

TWO MORE MINES SWEEPED IN TASMAN SEA

Auckland, To-day.

Two more mines have been swept up in the Tassman Sea near where the Canadian liner Niagara was sunk two nights ago.—Sweeping is continuing.—Reuter.

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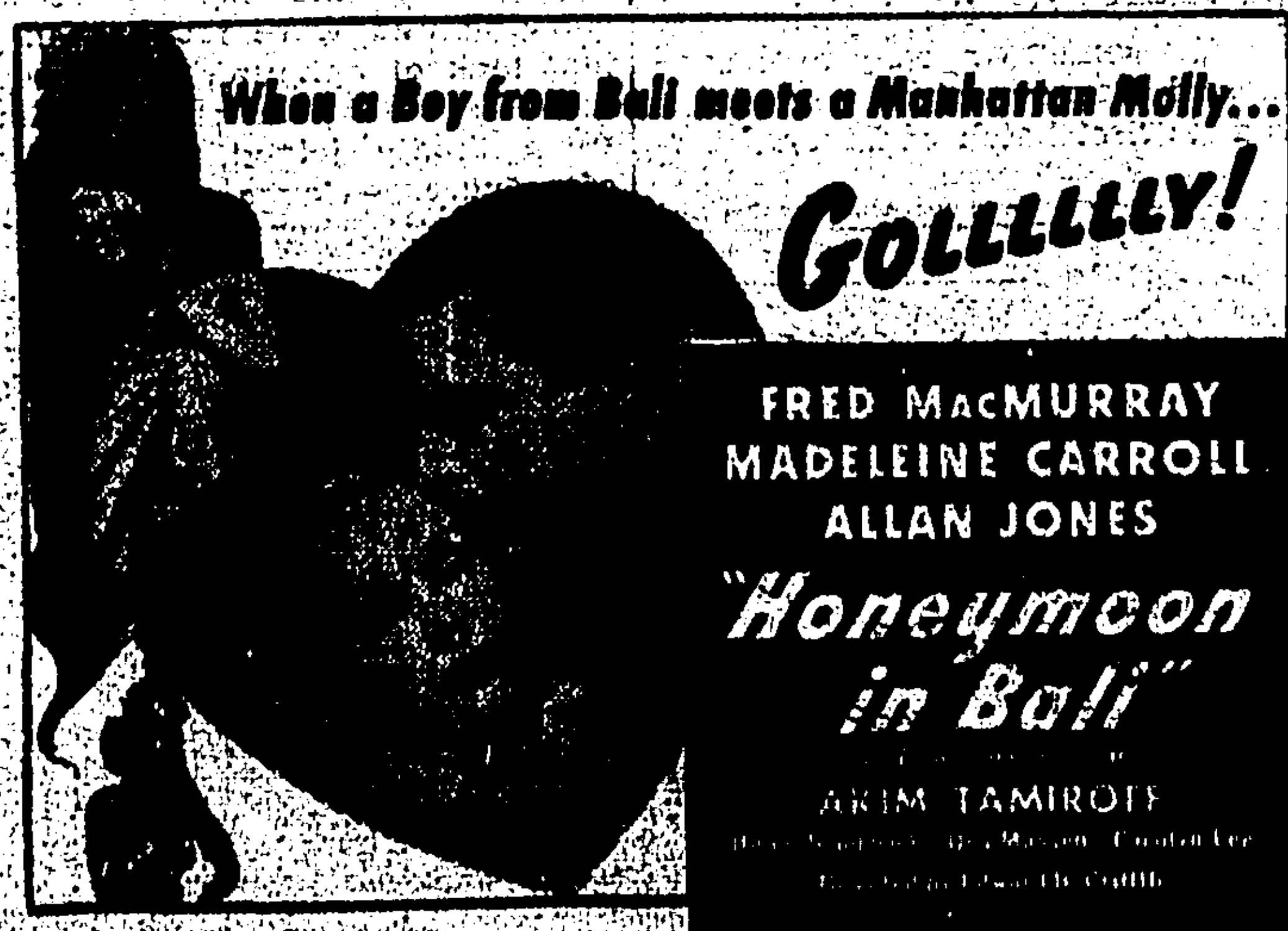
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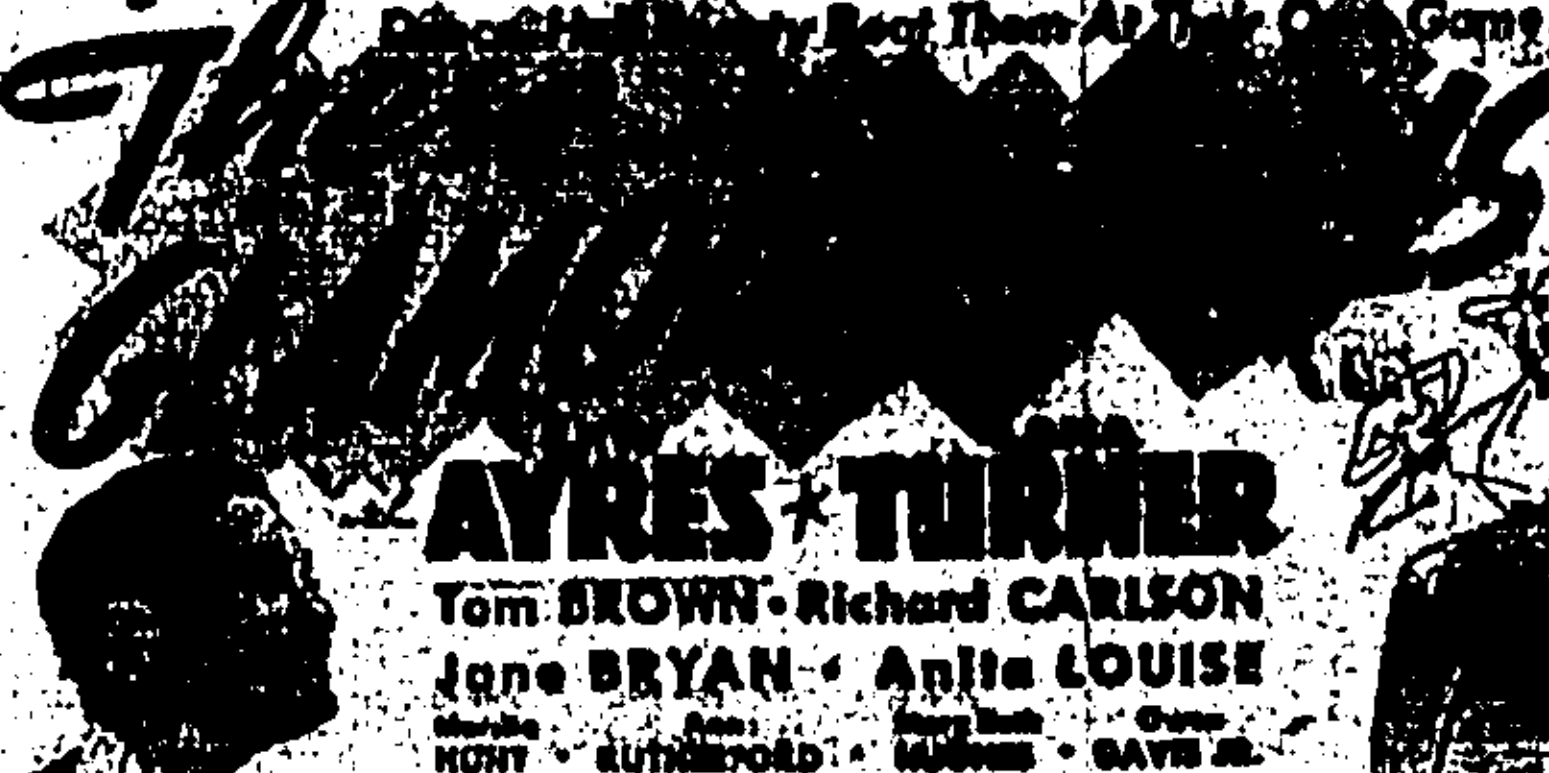
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Aden, To-day.

VISITORS HERE FROM ASSAB, the Italian port and air base in Southern Eritrea, state the aerodrome is burning and the town is completely deserted, as a result of British air raids.

It is stated the glow from the fire is visible for 60 miles. It is added many people fled from Massawa following R.A.F. raids. — Reuter.

1,000,000 MORE MEN IN A MONTH

London, To-day.

Two age groups are being registered this month and arrangements are being made to register four further age groups in July.

This means that by the end of next month, men of 33 will have registered for military service.

Men of 29 register next Saturday and in all more than 1,000,000 additional men will have registered by the end of July.—Reuter.

SECOND N.Y. EXPLOSION

New York, To-day.

A second New York explosion occurred yesterday in the building housing the principal offices of the Communist Party, and apparently was also caused by a bomb.

Eight people are now reported to have been injured in the first explosion. The condition of two of them is serious.—Reuter.

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Cairo, To-day.

An Italian plane is understood to have been shot down near Sollum, in Egypt, yesterday morning. The crew, who set fire to their machine, were taken prisoner.

Six enemy machines were set on fire during night operations over Eritrea.

This brings the total Italian aircraft lost in the past 24 hours to 15 for certain, with five probably lost.—Reuter.

KING LEOPOLD'S CHILDREN LEAVE FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Madrid, To-day.

The children of King Leopold, accompanied by 25 Belgian personalities, passed through Irun by car on their way to Lisbon.

Among the well-known Belgians in the party were M. Franz van Cauwelaert, former Minister of Public Works, and M. Paul van Zeeland, former Premier.—Havas.

SMALL FIRE REPORTED IN "FATSHAN"

According to a local vernacular, this afternoon a fire broke out in the s.s. Fatshan on Tuesday when the vessel was sailing through Kap Sul Mun on her way to Canton.

The fire broke out on the third class deck at about 8.45 a.m. and caused some confusion among the passengers.

The crew, however, put out the fire, which did not do any serious damage to the structure.

GILT-EDGEDS ACTIVE ON STOCK MARKET

London, To-day.

Gilt edgeds were actively higher on the Stock Exchange yesterday on continued demand. Industrials were narrowly irregular. Foreign issues were more active on removal of the ban on dealings in certain securities. Oils were easy. Shell Transport declined following the announcement of no further dividend for 1939. Wall Street was narrowly irregular.—Reuter.

EXPLOSION IN GERMAN CONSULATE

New York, To-day.

An explosion occurred yesterday in the building in which the German consulate is housed. One person was injured.—Reuter.

TROOPS POUR INTO SWITZERLAND

MONTREUX, TO-DAY.

NEARLY 2,000 DISARMED FRENCH TROOPS AND AS MANY CIVILIANS HAVE ARRIVED AT NEUCHÂTEL FROM THE FRONTIER.

They include an air force contingent of 40 officers and 600 men with camouflaged cars, lorries and equipment.

Six colonels and a complete motorised column arriving from Portarlier are being interned in the interior of Switzerland.—Reuter.

MOVING SCENES ON THE SWISS FRONTIER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

MOVING SCENES ARE taking place on the Franco-Swiss border where the Swiss population is doing all possible for the refugees who are arriving on foot and in cars and all kinds of vehicles.

The refugees say they want to earn their bread and ask for work, and Swiss peasants are trying to obtain their release from the authorities who have established internment camps.

The authorities have given permission for some of the refugees to work in the fields, while tradesmen have reduced prices for the refugees.

Similar manifestations occurred in favour of French troops who crossed the border and to whom peasants are bringing bread and distributing tobacco.

Many contingents of French troops have arrived in Switzerland through the woods by mistake after having bravely defended French territory inch by inch against the enemy who was using hundreds of tanks followed by motorised infantry and artillery.

Among the interned troops are members of the International Brigade who fought in Spain and Austrian emigres.

Swiss towns in the interior are showing the same sympathy to the refugees, and Berne yesterday morning received its first batch of French people.

Polish Troops Cross

Ten thousand Polish soldiers crossed the Jura Mountains into the canton of Berne under the protection of a desperate rearguard action fought by Franco-Polish remnants.

French artillery and tanks have been moved to the frontier line with the intention of crossing into neutral territory rather than surrender them to the enemy.

Bridges and tunnels were blown up on the French side of the frontier.

Stray French units driven to the border in many cases refused to hand over their arms to the Swiss authorities, declaring they wanted to return to the fight.

However, the men were almost starving and were faced with a virtual lack of ammunition if they went back to the battle areas, so most of them finally joined the weary mass of refugees.—Havas.

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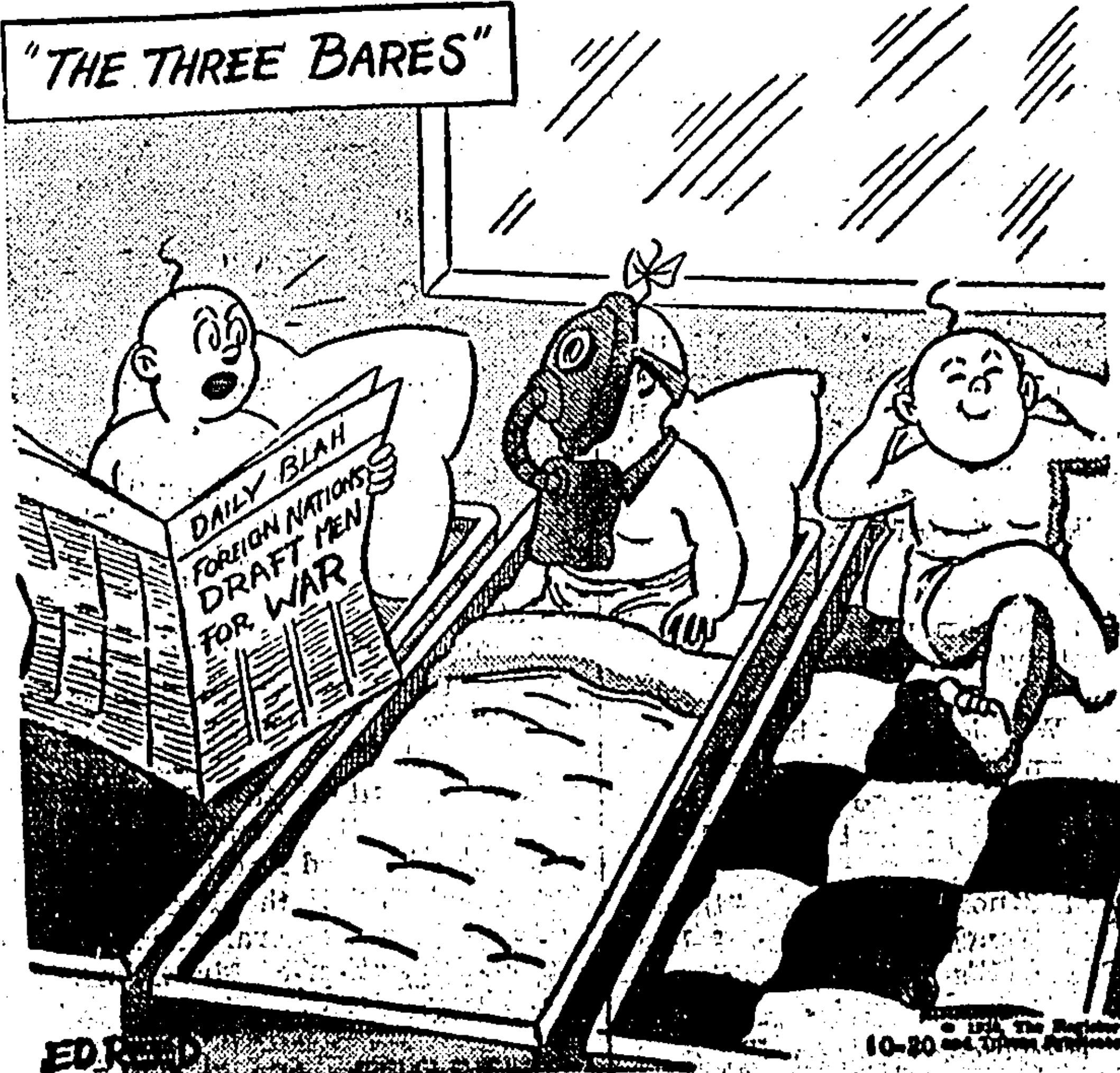
Mr. William Balcherby and Miss G. E. Barber after their recent marriage.



Daphne Lee Wade was seemingly unconscious of our photographer when he took this picture.

OFF THE RECORD

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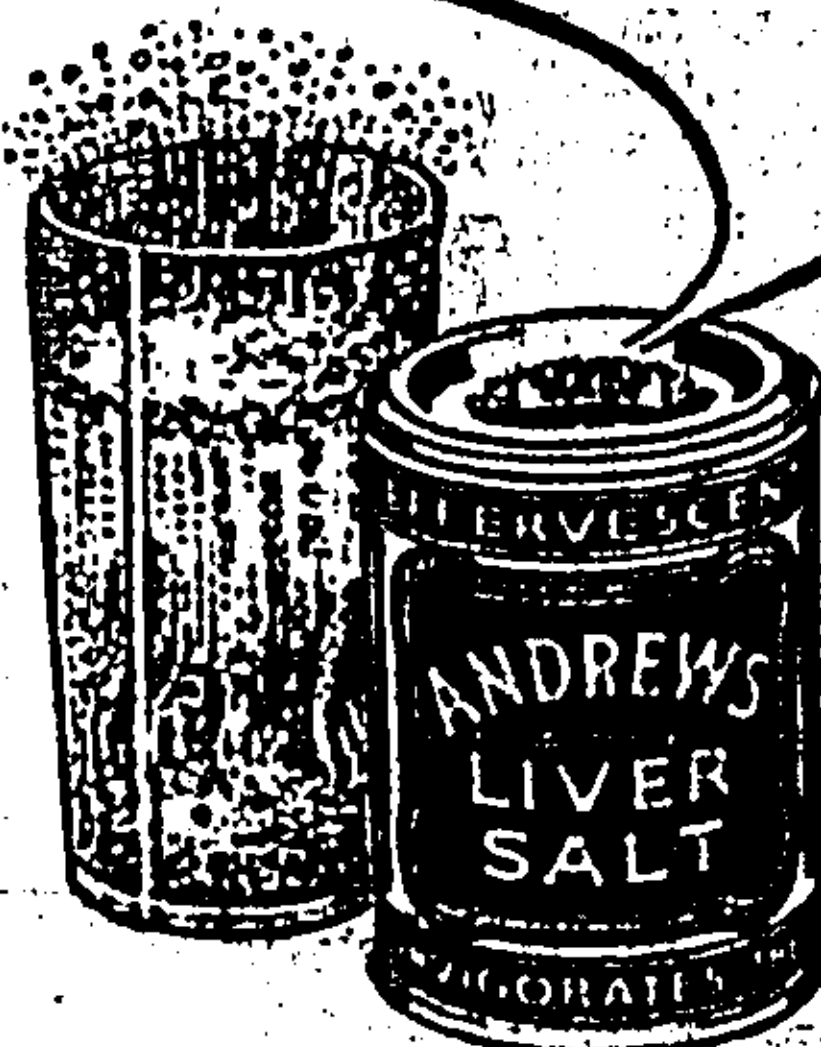
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MR. HULL'S FRANK CALL TO ACTION

CAMBRIDGE (MASS), TO-DAY.

A SLASHING ATTACK ON ISOLATIONISM AND A CALL TO MEN AND NATIONS WHO LOVE FREEDOM TO GATHER IN AN UNCONQUERABLE DEFENSIVE FORCE, WAS MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. CORDELL HULL, IN A SPEECH AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY YESTERDAY.

Mr. Cordell Hull said: "These are black days for the human race, for there are at work powerful forces the significance of which no individual or nation can ignore without falling into the gravest danger and the utmost jeopardy."

"They spring from the godless, soulless lust for power which seeks to hold men in slavery and spiritual degradation and displace peaceful, orderly international relations by anarchy or wanton violence and brute force."

"Never before have these forces flung so powerful a challenge to freedom and civilised progress."

"Never before has there a more desperate need for men and nations who love freedom and cherish the tenets of modern civilisation to gather in an unconquerable defensive force every element of their spiritual and material resources, every ounce of their moral and physical strength."

Mr. Cordell Hull said United States history was not achieved by isolation from the rest of mankind, and there was no more dangerous folly than thinking its achievements could be preserved in isolation.

Vital Test

Nation after nation had been crushed into surrender, overrun and enslaved,

and "the menacing shadow falls blacker and blacker on our continent, and the very instinct of self-preservation bids us to beware."

"No more vital test ever confronted the American people than it is confronting to-day."

"Our national independence and our cherished institutions are not immune from the challenge of the lust for power which already stalks so much of the earth's surface."—Reuter.

PANAMA CANAL ALARM

Panama, To-day.

There have been reports of possible Nazi-Fascist action against the Panama Canal, either by attack or sabotage, and there is evidence that the United States authorities are taking these seriously.

The Canal Zone unit of the American Red Cross has put out a call for registration of trained and experienced women for first aid work and as motor drivers.

The Red Cross is also collecting information and preparing plans in case evacuation of the Canal Zone should be necessary.

Meanwhile, the Italian 23,200-ton liner Conte Biancamano, which is anchored off the Pacific entrance of the Canal under guard, has been described by the local newspapers as "a potential Trojan horse."

Under Guard

The ship was placed under guard four days ago after an action to recover \$91,000 alleged due to the Asiatic Petroleum Company of London for fuel and other supplies at various ports.

Yesterday another action was taken against the Conte Biancamano by a Dutch firm which is demanding \$87,000 for cargo delivery charges.—Reuter.

CHINESE STOWAWAYS FINED \$5 EACH

A batch of 19 Chinese stowaways from Swatow were each fined \$5, or two weeks' hard labour, by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon this morning.

Inspector Johnson said that the majority had sufficient funds to pay their passages. They arrived yesterday morning and were taken into the police custody.

PETAIN'S NEW MOVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bordeaux, To-day.

The French Government has decided to create a Ministry of Propaganda, which will be placed under the direct authority of Marshal Petain, the Premier. M. Jean Prouvost, former Minister of Information, has been appointed High Commissioner.—Havas.

MR. STIMSON AND COLONEL KNOX JOIN ROOSEVELT CABINET

Washington, To-day.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is taking steps to form a Coalition Cabinet; he has submitted to the Senate the nominations of Colonel Frank Knox (Republican candidate in the last election) as Secretary of Navy and Mr. Henry L. Stimson (Secretary of State in the Hoover Republican Cabinet) as Secretary of War.

It is announced that Mr. Harry Woodring, present Secretary of War, and Secretary of Navy Edison have resigned. The latter's resignation, to enable Mr. Edison to run for the governorship of New Jersey, was accepted by the President on June 4.

The nominations caught Washington unawares and provoked excited comment.

Coming only four days before the Republican National Convention for the nomination of the presidential candidate, the effect is doubly startling, and Congress is buzzing with talk on its bearing on presidential politics.

Immediate Congressional reaction appeared unfavourable.

A Senator who is one of the leading candidates for the Republican nomination said: "I see no reason for a coalition cabinet and I do not regard this as a coalition."

The Prelude ?

Senator Clark expressed the opinion that the appointments were a prelude to putting the United States into war.

Senator Wheeler said he believed Col. Knox and Mr. Stimson would be glad to see America go to the aid of the Allies to the extent of declaring war.

Both Col. Knox and Mr. Stimson have been staunch defenders of President Roosevelt's foreign policy.—Reuter.

Not Representing The Republican Party

Philadelphia, To-day.

Mr. Stimson and Col. Knox now "owe allegiance to the President and hereafter will speak and act in that capacity," declared Mr. John Hamilton, Republican national chairman, yesterday.

He added that the desire of both Col. Knox and Mr. Stimson "for American intervention in European affairs is so well known that their appointment speaks for itself."

Meanwhile, ex-President Herbert Hoover stated yesterday that Mr. Stimson and Col. Knox are entering the Cabinet "to give personal advice and are not representing the Republican Party."

Mr. Hoover added: "There is no question of coalition involved."—Reuter.

Senate Excitement

Washington, To-day.

Announcement of the nominations of Mr. Henry L. Stimson and Col. Frank Knox to the Cabinet produced scenes of excitement on the floor of the Senate.

Senator Holt (West Virginia) said he had recently read in a newspaper that there was "pressure" from London to get Mr. Woodring (the War Secretary) out of the Cabinet.

Senator Holt added: "It has succeeded. Did Lord Lothian (the British Ambassador) tell the President?"

Republicans generally express bitter condemnation of Mr. Stimson and Col. Knox.—Reuter.

THE RAINS

The resumption of the rains resulted in a further 1.41 inches being registered at the Royal Observatory in Kowloon in the last 24 hours, bringing the total for the year to 53.53 inches, or 19.0 inches above normal.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure continues highest over the Pacific to the south-east of Japan and is relatively low over south-west China and Indo-China.

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HEAVY R.A.F. RAIDS

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Munich Among Towns Visited

London, To-day.

AN AIR MINISTRY communique says that large-scale operations were carried out by the R.A.F. yesterday.

The objectives included Lunen, Hamm, Bielfeld, Munster, Duren, Schwerte, Euskirchen, Munchen, Gladbach, Hamborn, Emmerich, Hamburg, Brunsbuttel and Nordeney.

One of our aircraft failed to return. Other operations were directed against military storehouses at Ijmuiden, Scheveningen and the aerodrome at Borkum.

At all three places fires were started.

In the morning a squadron of Hurricanes attacked a large number of enemy aircraft lined up on the Rouen aerodromes. Four enemy aircraft were set on fire and many others damaged by machine-gun fire.

In the afternoon a squadron of Blenheims visited the same aerodrome and caused further havoc. Both attacks were made without loss. — Reuter.

Munition Factories Attacked

The Air Ministry states: Last night, the objectives were munition factories, oil refineries, bridges, marshalling yards, ammunition trains and aerodromes. In spite of intense anti-aircraft fire, targets spread over a large area were attacked.

On the way home, one of our bombers engaged and seriously damaged an enemy seaplane. — British Wireless.

Troop Carriers Wrecked

London, To-day.

Further details of the surprise attack on Rouen aerodrome yesterday morning by a squadron of R.A.F. Fighter Command Hurricanes are given in an Air Ministry bulletin.

The Hurricanes raked with machinegun fire 50 German JU 52's (troop carriers) and JU 87's (dive bombers).

The Hurricane pilots estimate they damaged at least 20 of the enemy aircraft. — Reuter.

Amiens Raid

Aircraft on the ground were destroyed, petrol tanks set alight, and hangars wrecked in the course of daylight attacks on two enemy aerodromes in France yesterday by medium bombers of the R.A.F.

At Rouen, where 25 or more enemy aircraft were dispersed round the aerodrome, the attackers scored numerous direct hits on the hangars, tarmac and scattered aircraft. Several aircraft burst into flames.

In the late evening, another strong force of medium bombers attacked enemy-occupied aerodrome near Amiens.

One of the three main hangars and aircraft standing nearby were set alight in the first sortie which was quickly followed by a still heavier attack in which twelve aircraft on the ground were destroyed by high explosive bombs. Many others were damaged.

Hits were also scored on the two remaining hangars and the sudden outbreak of fire which spread rapidly among buildings suggested that a petrol dump had been struck and the fuel set alight. All the British aircraft returned safely to their bases. — British Wireless.

LYONS CALM UNDER GERMAN OCCUPATION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Lyons, To-day.

LYONS, WHICH WAS entered early yesterday by the vanguard of the German forces driving down the Rhone Valley, remains calm under the occupation, with deserted streets and policemen on their beats as usual though unarmed.

M. Emile Bollcart, Prefect of the Rhone Department, remained at his post, as did the Civil Servants and Cardinal Gerlier, Archbishop of Lyons.

The Germans immediately posted guards on all bridges.

The local authorities addressed the following appeal to the population: "The event expected has happened and Lyons has been occupied by advance enemy elements which will shortly be followed by stronger forces.

"Every Frenchman must maintain perfect dignity with complete mastery of himself.

"The authorities signing this appeal are collaborating in close union for the good of the city and the honour of the country. They count

on your feeling and are sure you will understand. They have promised in your name that everything will remain orderly. Conform to the orders of the responsible authorities.

"Calmness will above all be proof of the strength of soul which the present hour requires and which will inspire respect for ever."

The appeal was signed by the Prefect, the Archbishop and the Ex-Servicemen's chief. — Havas.

SUBMARINES BANNED BY GUATEMALA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Guatemala City, To-day.

Bellicent submarines are forbidden to cast anchor in Guatemalan harbours or territorial waters under a Government decree.

Exceptions will be made only in the case of dire emergency.

Territorial waters are held to extend 12 miles beyond the point of low tide in bays or the sea. — Havas.

HEROES OF THE B.E.F. HONoured

London, To-day.

Inspiring stories of personal heroism by members of the Queen's Royal West Surrey Regiment, similar to those already announced for other regiments, appear in a further list of immediate awards by the Commander-in-Chief of the B.E.F.

The D.S.O. is awarded to Major Edward Frederick Bolton, who when cut off by tanks on both flanks, withdrew the battalion intact across the Somme.

The M.C. is awarded to Captain Richard Lionel Moore who in the retreat from Bellancourt got all his men across the river though many were non-swimmers, and himself swam the river three times to help wounded across.

Similarly gallant exploits earned M.C.'s for Acting Captain Davis Christopher Baynes, Lt. Robert Station Broke, 2/Lt. Maurice Edgar McWilliam, Sergeant-Major A. Manners, and M.M.'s for Sergeant G. Banfill, Sergeant A. G. Troster, Private B. T. Scott and Private J. Flews. — Reuter.

U.S.S. QUINCY ARRIVES IN MONTEVIDEO

Montevideo, To-day.

The 10,000-ton U.S.S. Quincy, heavy cruiser, has arrived in Montevideo, Uruguay, on a good-will cruise to the east coast of South America. — Reuter.

One of America's latest cruisers, the Quincy was built in 1934, and carries nine 8-inch guns; she travels officially at a "designed speed" of 33 knots.

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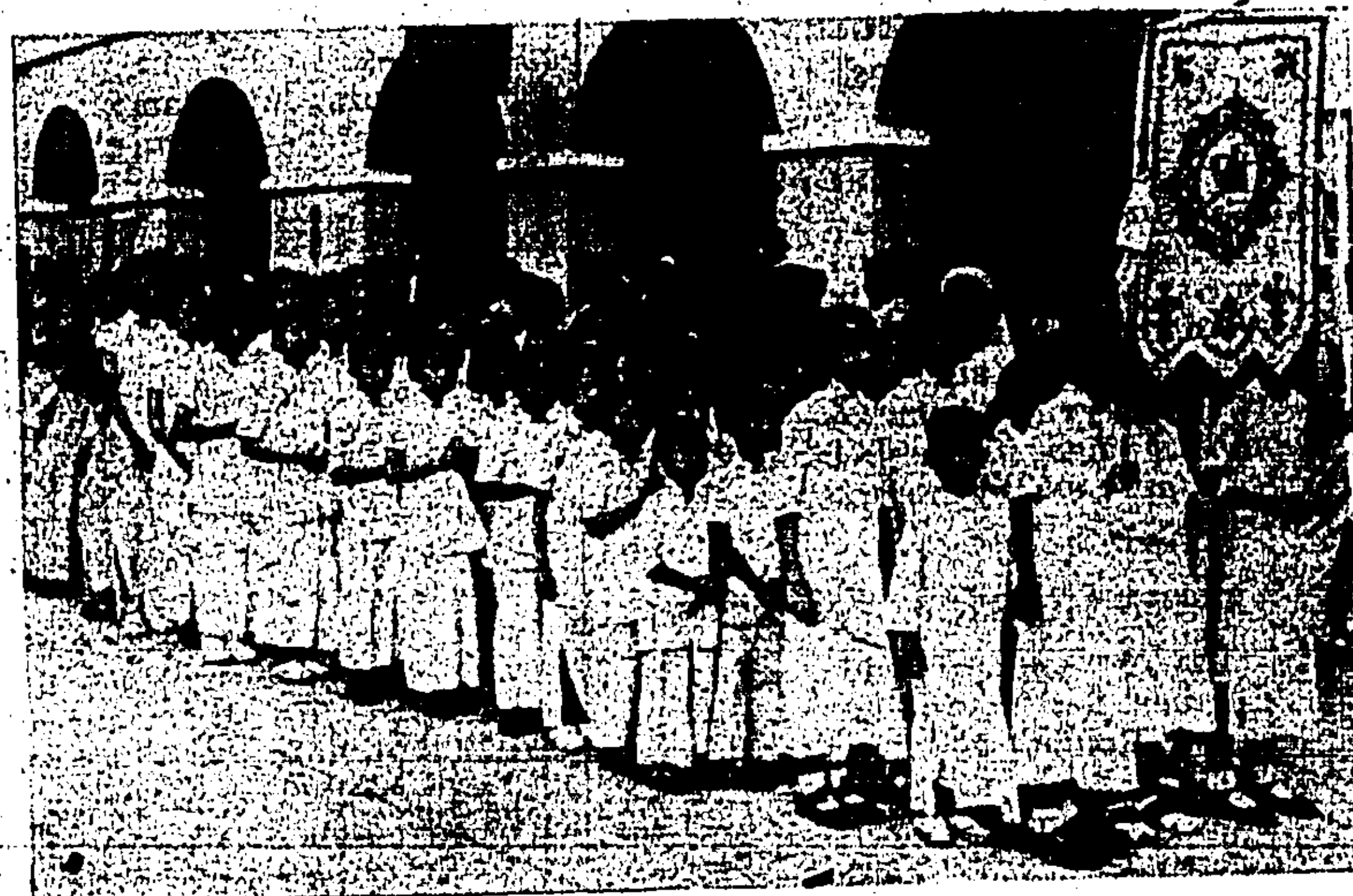
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The Procession at St. Anthony's Church at West Point on Sunday.



Elizabeth and Victoria Holmes and Christopher Chubb at play on the beach.

AUSTRALIAN MUNITIONS BOOST

Sydney, To-day. Eight leading Australian industrialists have agreed to help the Munitions Board in order to obtain maximum production. Boards of management have been set up in each state with wide powers to extend present factories or build new

BITTEN BY DOGS

Mrs. Lyson, residing at No. 29, Kai Tak Road, Kowloon City was bitten by her own dog yesterday. Mrs. Lyson was treated privately and the dog was sent to Mataukok for observation.

Leading Seaman W. J. Jenkins, attached to one of H. M. ships was bitten by a dog on board a sailing boat yesterday. Jenkins was playing with the animal. He was medically treated.

Unlimited resources are available, states the Prime Minister. — Reuter.

ANZACS IN BRITAIN

Large Contingent Lands To Assist In Defence

Fit As Fiddles And Tough As Nuts

London, To-day.

CONVOYED BY THE ROYAL NAVY, a large contingent of Australians, New Zealanders, Tasmanians and Maoris have arrived in England, travelling thousands of miles without an enemy submarine being able to get near them.

As they came ashore, shouting, singing and cheering, they looked — in the words of BBC Observer — "as fit as a fiddle, as happy as a cricket and as tough as nuts!"

He asked one man what he thought of the situation. The man simply replied:—"We knew it was going to be tough."

As they came ashore and got into the trains waiting to receive them, an Australian army band played "Waltzing Matilda" and "There will always be an England." This band was only formed a few months ago and quite a number of the men in it had never played in a band before they joined the army.—Reuter.

Australian Comment

CANBERRA, TO-DAY. ANNOUNCING IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES YESTERDAY THE ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND OF CONTINGENTS OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE AND THE NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. R. G. MENZIES, STATED:

"It is of the greatest significance to the rest of the world that at this critical hour Australian and New Zealand troops have joined troops from Canada in the heart of the Empire."

"The decision to disembark the forces in Britain was based on the consideration that the troops should be located where their assistance would be of greatest service to the Allied cause."—Reuter.

King's Message

The War Office announced early yesterday afternoon that "large contingents of the Australian Imperial Forces and New Zealand Expeditionary Force, who left these Dominions in May, have disembarked at a port in Great Britain and are proceeding to their concentration areas. The troops are reported all well and in high spirits."

The following message from the King was given to the Officers Commanding the Australian and New Zealand contingents on arrival: "A few months ago I sent some words of welcome to the first contingents of the Second Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force when they disembarked in the Middle East. It has fallen to your lot to come to the U.K. itself and as you have taken your place beside us, you find us in the forefront of the battle. To all I give a warm welcome knowing the stern purpose that brings you from your distant homes. I send you my best wishes and I look forward to visiting you soon."

Mr. Eden's Message

The War Secretary sent a message "on behalf of all ranks of the Army in this country."

In this, Mr. Eden said: "You come at a timely hour. The enemy has thrown his weight into the onslaught. The cause of the free nations needs every measure of support that can be given. Doubly welcome then is your presence at this moment and doubly glad I know you are to be here. With Australia and New Zealand represented in two theatres of war, with

Canada and South Africa taking their full part, we can now present to the enemy a truly Imperial front—a front which as he has learned from experience in the past has never been and never will be broken by him. However stern the struggle, we are confident that victory will finally crown our arms."—British Wireless.

ALL DOMINIONS ACCEPT SCHEME FOR CARE OF CHILDREN

London, To-day.

IT IS AUTHORITATIVELY stated that all the Dominions concerned have accepted the scheme for the evacuation of British children.

Liaison officers are being established at London headquarters of the scheme. When the doors were opened at 9 o'clock yesterday morning a queue of 3,000 was waiting.

It is explained the scheme does not contemplate the despatch of masses overseas but will proceed on an orderly and expanding scale week by week.

It is not regarded as a substitute for the Government major policy of evacuation of children to places within Britain.

Scope of the scheme is limited by

offers made by the Dominions and shipping facilities available. Suggestion for the evacuation of schools en bloc is regarded as entirely impracticable.—Reuter.

Auckland Offer

Auckland, To-day.

Over 1,000 British children have been offered homes here.—Reuter.

"WON'T FIGHT" YOUTH IS SENT TO PRISON

James Mathews, 20, was sent to prison for two months at Barnet for failing to give a satisfactory account of himself to the police.

A police constable said Mathews, who had not registered himself for military service, was picked up in a cafe at South Mimms, where he had declared he would not fight for this country and said that he had pro-Hitler sympathies.

ACID EXPLOSION

Badly burned following an explosion of a jar of corrosive acid, Kwong Sing, 35-year-old godown keeper, employed by the Kwong Sang Hong Perfumery Manufacturers in Hennessy Road, died while being conveyed to hospital yesterday.

AUSTRALIA TAKES EMERGENCY POWERS

Canberra, To-day.

The Emergency Powers Bill, similar to that passed in the United Kingdom, was passed by the Australian House of Representatives yesterday by 59 votes to 10.—Reuter.

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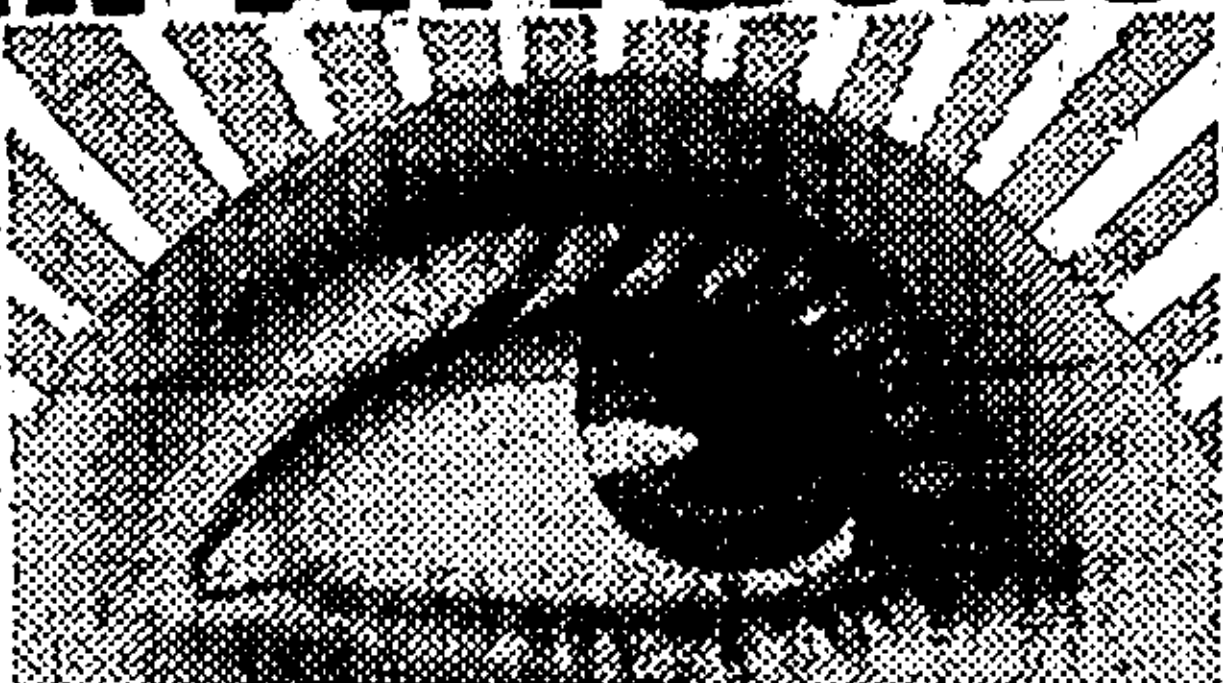
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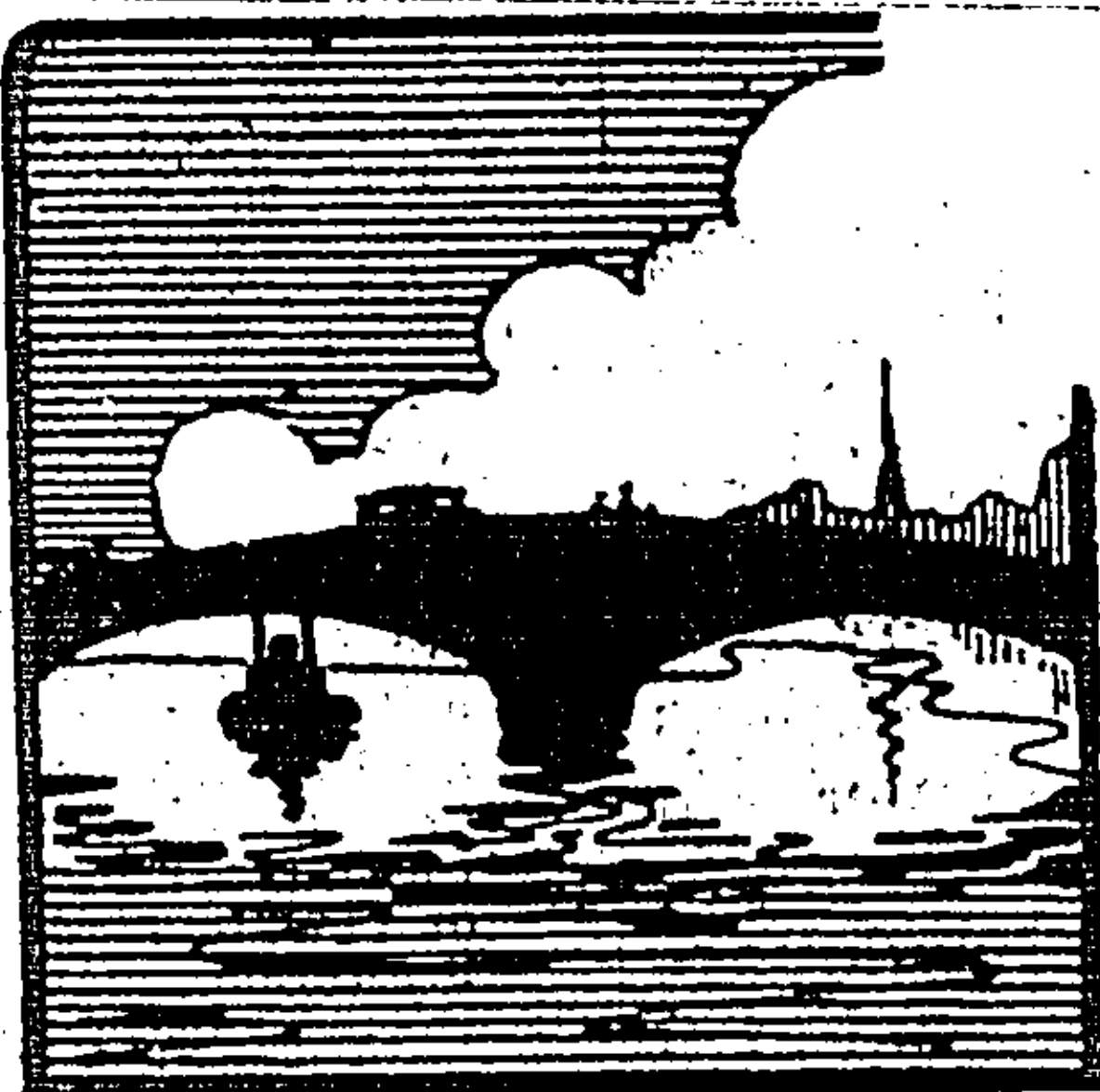
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ASSISTING THE ALLIES

"I must warn you that it will be necessary to continue to pay attention to the map of this country," stated the Dutch Foreign Minister at a press meeting shortly after the collapse of Holland. "The Netherlands," he said, "continues to be at war with Germany." The Dutch flag still flies over the East and West Indies and as the Minister told his hearers, "we bring to our Allies immense resources." Those five short days during which Holland resisted and succumbed to the German hordes—acting unfortunately within as well as from without—were packed with deeds of heroism as well as treachery, of achievement and frustration. To-day, beyond snatches of meagre information through German sources, we know nothing of what is happening.

But Hitler could not lay his hands on the Dutch Empire—an Empire of which the Queen is the uniting factor—and the Kingdom of the Netherlands as such is in no way affected by the temporary enemy occupation of Holland. Its constitutional organs continue to function; the Governments of the Dutch East Indies and the West Indies are able to carry on their work legally and uninterruptedly and the Government established within the shelter of Britain is able to continue its task of governing.

Nor is this all. Scattered units of the Dutch Army who left Dutch soil, are now being reformed and joined by recruits from amongst the Dutchmen domiciled outside Holland, in Europe and the Indies.

The Dutch Navy remains practically intact. Its main part is stationed in the East Indies, while a small, but by no means negligible squadron from Holland has joined the Allied fleets. They are patrolling the seas, and help in the task of guarding the British coasts.

The contribution which the Netherlands Empire can still make towards the war, is considerable. It has been pointed out that no contribution of any other European ally could be more powerful and comprehensive. The overseas empire of Holland is amongst the richest in the world; it supplies the most valuable raw materials for war industries, such as rubber, oil and tin.

British and Dutch authorities are now co-ordinating their nations' war efforts in every sphere. The Dutch Government keeps in constant touch with the Administration in the capitals of the East and West Indies; and not only the organisation of supplies from the Dutch colonial empire, but also a monetary agreement has been reached by Holland joining the Anglo-French monetary pact. This is of immense advantage to the Allies with respect to payments for Dutch colonial products. The resources of the Indies will be widely thrown open to Allied requirements.

This does not mean that the Indies intend to neglect their regular customers. Their trade with the United States will gain in importance insofar as it brings welcome currency within the Allied monetary area. Equal importance is attached to their trade with Japan, the maintenance of which is in the interests of all parties. The Netherlands East Indies certainly desire to keep up their present relations of neighbourly friendship with Japan.

Comparatively little is known about the Dutch West Indies, yet the ports of Curacao and Aruba, situated on two neighbouring islands, form together one of the most important harbour units in the world, coming in rank immediately after New York as regards total tonnage handled. For Curacao, the total in 1938, was over 28,500,000 tons; for Aruba, over 20,500,000 together more than 49,000,000 tons. Indeed, Curacao and Aruba are, from the commercial point of view, the Singapore of the Caribbean.

Oil and petrol account for by far the greater part of the imports and exports of the islands, where some of the largest oil refineries in the world are situated.

In shipping, Holland's contribution to the Allied resources will probably prove to be in the neighbourhood of 3,000,000 tons. To this can be added

some 150,000 tons of German shipping seized in the Dutch East Indies and West Indian ports when Holland became involved in the war. The ships seized number twenty-nine.

To all intents and purposes Holland proper is now treated as enemy-occupied territory. Its people must suffer the rigours of the Allied blockade, but these are unavoidable consequences of a misplaced confidence in Hitler's promises. The fight, however, will continue to be fought until the people of Holland can once again breathe as free people—freed from the yoke of domination and aggression.

NAZI GRATITUDE

Norwegian observers have called attention more than once to the use made by the Nazis, when invading Norway, of the Germans and Austrians who had been given hospitality in that country during the years of famine. Children who had been fed and sheltered in Norwegian homes have returned as enemies, disguised often in Norwegian dress and using their knowledge of the language and the country to take their late hosts by surprise. Holland has had the same bitter experience. The "Central European Observer" quotes from a broadcast message to Germany from a Dutch journalist who describes the lavish generosity shown by the Dutch to German children after the last war. Tens of thousands of these children were taken in, given milk, cheese, and the best food in order to save them from rickets. These children have turned into Nazi soldiers, parachutists, spies coming back to Holland, and they have treated their former hosts with all the brutality of Nazi methods of warfare. It is not surprising that M. von Blankenstein asked at the end of his speech, "What will happen to the name of Germany?" The Nazis despise the African peoples as belonging to an inferior race only fit to be governed by the methods made notorious by Dr. Peters. One of their complaints against the democracies is that they are not brutal enough in their treatment of their African subjects. Yet it is safe to say that a philosophy or religion that acknowledges no obligations of honour, even from former refugees to their benefactors, would outrage the sense of chivalry of many savage tribes. An African chief, a desperate fugitive flying from white enemies, once risked his life to protect a white man who had trusted him. The Nazis would be surprised to be told that Lobengula's standard of honour was infinitely higher than their own.

WAR MEMORIES OF 25 YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail" files).

June 21, 1915.

Fighting is general on the Western Front. North of Arras, the French have advanced east in the direction of Souchez. A violent attack in the West-Argonne has been repulsed, many prisoners being taken.

North of Arras, the French progress towards Souchez has resulted in the capture of several trenches. The Germans counter-attacked with violence on the heights of the Meuse, but we maintained the previous day's gains.

Experts are of the opinion that the enemy advance west and south-west of Rawarusska initiates a great turning movement north of Lemberg.

General Mackensen is fighting for Lemberg, while Zolken and Rawarusska are in our hands.

The Kaiser is reported to have taken over the supreme command in Galicia (where, as reported yesterday, the German people are being encouraged to expect "great things").

General De Wet has been found guilty on eight counts charging him with treason, and not guilty on the two remaining counts. He has been sentenced to six years' imprisonment and is fined £2,000.

Germans Continue Operations: Situation Obscure

NO ARMISTICE AGREEMENT YET

LONDON, TO-DAY.

FIVE DAYS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE MARSHAL PETAIN ANNOUNCED THE FRENCH DECISION TO SUE FOR AN ARMISTICE BUT UP TO A LATE HOUR LAST NIGHT NOTHING HAD DEVELOPED TO CLARIFY THE SITUATION.

There is, on the other hand, the greatest obscurity about the negotiations, although reports are many — and conflicting.

The French Radio and Havas said that the French plenipotentiaries left Bordeaux for the German-nominated rendezvous, which has not been disclosed, but Berlin said they had not left.

The Italian official news agency, Stefani, put out the remarkable report that the negotiations were completed, the plenipotentiaries were on their way back to Bordeaux and that hostilities would cease to-day (Friday) or to-morrow.

Rome Radio put out a similar report, which lacks any confirmation from the French side. (If there is any truth in the report, it would suggest that the French took one look at the terms and decided that continuation of the negotiations would be a waste of time). — Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.

The French Government has informed the German Government that its peace plenipotentiaries are:—

General Huntziger,
M. Leon Noel,
Vice-Admiral Leluc and
General of the Air Force Bergeret.
This is according to the official German news agency.

The agency adds: "Because of the difficulties of communication through Spain, the French Government's communication did not reach the German Government until 1 o'clock on Thursday morning.

"It was transmitted to the Fuehrer at 4 o'clock whereupon the German High Command at once took the necessary steps for reception of the French delegates."—Reuter.

Making Contact

Bordeaux, To-day.

The French plenipotentiaries who are to receive Hitler's conditions for an armistice have left Bordeaux to make contact with the Germans.—Reuter.

Gayda's Forecast

Basle, To-day.

One of the chief conditions of peace will be the fulfilment of the Italian colonial claims, says Signor Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia."

The new peace must be "more just than Versailles," he declared.

Signor Gayda also prepares the Italian public for America becoming Britain's ally.—Reuter.

Cairo Call

Cairo, To-day.

The French colony here has sent a telegram to President Lebrun and General Weygand urging France to continue the struggle and offering to place the entire services and property of the colony at the disposal of France.—Reuter.

French Government Leaving Bordeaux

Bordeaux, To-day.

The French Government yesterday announced its decision to leave Bordeaux in order to avoid useless destruction of the town by the enemy.—Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.

An official German news agency

despatch reports that the French Government is proceeding to Biarritz from Bordeaux.—Reuter.

40,000 Troops Interned

Berne, To-day.

About 40,000 troops from France have now crossed into Switzerland. Twenty-eight thousand arrived on Wednesday night, including 16,000 Poles.—Reuter.

Berne, To-day.

Bodies of French troops crossing into Switzerland at frontier posts are being disarmed and interned.—Reuter.

French Communique

Bordeaux, To-day.

A French communique says that during the day there was no special change in the situation generally. Mr. R. Hall, Government Marine Surveyor, when driving in Nathan Road yesterday, turning into Peking Road, accidentally ran into the rear of a taxi. Both vehicles were slightly damaged.

The enemy pushed reconnaissance detachments south of Nantes and west of Bourges towards Mont Lucon and Vichy, to the south of Lyons, and in the direction of Nantua.—Reuter.

Defence Of Toulon

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Toulon, To-day.

The Admiral commanding the French naval base here has issued a communique stating the military port of Toulon is not included in the Government declaration that all French towns of more than 20,000 population are open cities.

Toulon will be defended, if attacked with all means at our disposal, the communique adds.—Havas.

SPECIAL MARKINGS FOR ITALIAN CHURCHES

Rome, To-day.

The Italian Government announces that churches, museums, hospitals and historic monuments are to be marked by a rectangle, on a yellow background, clearly visible from the air.

The rectangle will contain two triangles, one black and one white. The British and French Governments have been notified.—Reuter.

STRONG SPANISH ATTACKS ON BRITAIN

Madrid, To-day.

The Spanish newspapers have now given up all pretence of being neutral and have launched a strong attack against England.

Many British residents are now keeping their luggage packed in case of eventualities.

The paper "Arriba" says: "The Falange Party is not only a political instrument for government of the people in peace but makes possible an enormous military potential in case of war."—Reuter.

"TIMES OF CEYLON" FUND

Colombo, To-day.

"The Times of Ceylon" has sent a second sum of 100,000 rupees to London for the purchase of another fighter plane.

The first sum was sent only three days ago.—Reuter.

PROMINENT REFUGEES IN ENGLAND

London, To-day.

Reuter's chief correspondent in France telegraphs from a South of England port: From war-torn France we arrived here this evening in a vessel which, in addition to the normal complement of passengers, brought over 1,300 refugees.

Many had come from Brussels, whence they had been driven slowly southward by the German advance. Few had slept in a bed for a week or more.

On board were Sir Maurice Peterson, M. Pierre Cot (French ex-Air Minister), Baron Robert de Rothschild, Henri Bernstein (the French dramatist) and M. Jaspar (the Belgian ex-Foreign Minister).

M. Ossuski, Czech Minister in Paris, was not on board as he returned at the last minute to Bordeaux to look after six Czech airmen.

One of the British officers on board was among the last to leave the Maginot Line.—Reuter.

BOY DROWNED

A nine-year-old Chinese lad, Kwok Yee, was drowned in a stream, near the Haw Par Mansions at Causeway Bay yesterday.

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GEN. HERTZOG DIVES DEEPER INTO MUCK-HEAP

Astounding Communication To General Smuts

PROPOSES SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD DESERT BRITAIN

Johannesburg, To-day.

GENERAL HERTZOG HAS WRITTEN to the Premier, General Smuts, proposing that South Africa should "immediately take all the necessary measures to withdraw from the war."

General Hertzog asserted that the Allied cause is "doomed to failure" and protested against the "recklessness to the national freedom and the senseless sacrifice of Africaner youths in a fruitless struggle," declaring that further measures of compulsion for prosecution of the war might lead to far-reaching disturbances.

FOUND WITH DAGGER

Charged with possession of a dagger, Ng Man-chung, 25, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon this morning.

Accused was arrested in Nga Tsin Wai Road on Tuesday. The dagger was wrapped in a piece of newspaper in his trousers' pocket.

Det.-Sgt. Dowman said there was nothing to show that accused had any intention of committing a felony but it may have been intended for use in a fight.

TOMMY-GUN SUPPLY FOR B.E.F.

New York, To-day.

The entire output of a firm which manufactures sub-machine guns is being sent to Britain.

This means 5,000 Tommy-guns at present and the factory is trying to speed up its output as fast as possible.—Reuter.

General Smuts, in a letter replying, said this "dishonourable proposal" had already been decisively rejected by Parliament and he did not doubt that if again submitted it would suffer the same fate.

He added he could not be expected, solely on General Hertzog's personal pressure, to violate the decision of Parliament.

General Smuts added: "Friends and advocates of Hitler who look expectantly for a Nazi victory will most probably meet the same disappointment as in the last war."

Germany herself, he said, had exposed the falsity of General Hertzog's argument that the Union could be kept from danger by remaining neutral.

Nazi Malice

Neutrality had not profited Denmark, Norway, Holland and Belgium.

Germany had shown malice to the Union by continuous hostile propaganda and the formation of a Fifth Column.

The Government would carry out its policy on the mandate of Parliament and would not allow its execution to be nullified by political propaganda or threats of violence.—Reuter.

DUKE OF WINDSOR CANARD

London, To-day.

It is authoritatively stated in London that there is no truth in the ridiculous suggestion that an order has been made or is contemplated for the arrest of the Duke of Windsor.

It is not a fact that he has already returned to this country but all possible steps are being taken for his safety and convenience.—British Wireless.

DRAMATIC DUNKIRK SEQUEL

London, To-day.

Details of the rescue of nine French soldiers by a British fast motorboat some time after the withdrawal of the Allied troops from Dunkirk have just become known in London.

For nine days these survivors had existed on board a wreck sunk in shallow water within a few miles of Dunkirk.

After nine days without food or water they were rescued.

The party had originally consisted of 20 but 11 perished.

Four men built a raft and set out for England, not to be seen again. Seven others had died after drinking sea water.

The survivors had burnt their boat, partly to supply warmth at night and partly to attract attention.—Reuter.

JAPANESE BARRIERS LIFTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Tientsin, To-day.

Streams of vehicular and pedestrian traffic poured unchecked in and out of the Concessions last evening as, after exactly a year and a week, the Japanese barriers around the British and French Concessions were lifted at 6 p.m. sharp.

Many trucks with goods and provisions which had waited for several days for examination by Japanese sentries were allowed to proceed unhindered.

Immediate improvement of the food situation in the Concessions and the normalisation of trade is generally predicted.—Havas.

Lasted 372 Days

Tientsin, To-day.

After lasting 372 days, the blockade of Tientsin was lifted at 6 o'clock last evening and free traffic between the British and French Concessions and adjoining areas was restored.

The formal opening was preceded by a brief ceremony when the Japanese guards were drawn up and inspected by an officer who addressed them briefly, after which they were dismissed.

The ceremony was greeted by loud hand-clapping from a huge crowd consisting principally of Chinese. There were a few Japanese and foreigners in the gathering.

Barricade Ceremonial

A few minutes before the opening, traffic was stopped by a barricade drawn across the street. Crowds of cyclists, cars and trucks extended about a block on either side of the barriers.

Prior to the formal opening the Chinese police energetically but politely ordered people and vehicles to range themselves on the left side of the street. At 6 o'clock sharp the barricade was swung aside.

The Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Oshio Muto, has formally authorised Japanese who wish to do so to reside and conduct business in the British and French Concessions, according to the semi-official Japanese news agency. Registration with the Japanese authorities by such persons and firms is required.—Reuter.

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NATIONAL CABINET FOR CANADA

Ottawa, To-day.

It is reported in parliamentary circles that Premier Mackenzie King is forming a partial National Government and that enlargement of the Cabinet will be announced to-day.

Mr. Grote Stirling, Conservative ex-Minister of National Defence in Mr. R. B. Bennett's Cabinet, is prominently mentioned for the Cabinet, while Mr. Tom Moore, President of the Labour Congress and a veteran Labour leader, particularly favoured by Mr. Mackenzie King, is expected to take the Labour Ministry. His appointment would be similar to that of Mr. Ernest Bevin by Mr. Churchill.—Reuter.

News Snack Bar

SANDWICH BOARDS TO HELP WOOING

WEARING EVENING DRESS and a black velvet coat, with a button-hole of an orchid, a lily and a white harebell, an Oxford undergraduate walked through the centre of the city escorted by two sandwichmen.

The sandwichmen carried boards with the slogans: "Rita is not fair to David" and "Do not be Rita's dupe."

The undergraduate, Mr. David Burdett, of Queen's College, had brought propaganda into love. Having failed to advance his cause with Miss Rita Harvey, barmaid at a local hotel, in private, he had brought it before the public.

But Miss Harvey was not impressed. "This young fellow has been nothing but a nuisance since Christmas when I came here," she said. He will have time to think because it is understood that he has been "gated."

David led the procession, swelled to some size by sporting onlookers, to the hotel where Miss Harvey works.

There was a cheer from the crowd as he posted his sandwichmen and began to read an ode composed for the occasion.

Miss Harvey did not appear and on the advice of friends David tried singing the ode. This was more effective. Miss Harvey was seen for a few seconds but then disappeared.

This seemed to end the entertainment and the crowd began to break up as David led his followers back to his lodgings.

"IT'S SICKENING"

Miss Harvey commented: "I like my job here very much but he has spoiled it. I shall be engaged to a boy in the B.E.F. as soon as he comes home on his first leave. We are to be married next year."

"It has been absolutely sickening. I am very annoyed that so much trouble has been caused. I don't know what my people will think of this."

David also had his say. He told a reporter:

"We made a date, but she did not turn up, so I took her a chain of daisies. Eventually, we made another appointment which she also failed to keep, and I took her a chain of dandelions."

"I AM MADLY IN LOVE"

"She told me that there had been some mistake. But when she did not keep another appointment we made, I decided upon the action I have taken to-day."

"I am madly in love with her, and I must have time to think before I decide what to do next. I shall either get an intermediary to act for me or I shall write to her."

Baby's Bottle Was Used

4,000 Years Ago

A baby's bottle, estimated to have been made at least 4,000 years ago, has been unearthed in a cave in Central Italy.—Reuter.

Prams Must

Have Lights

Prams must have rear lights in the black-out. This was the decision at Walsall when four offenders were each ordered to pay 4s. costs.

The Chief Constable said that under the Traffic Act it was not necessary to have a rear light on a pram, but it was compulsory under the Lighting Order.

It was stated that the prams concerned were out at 10.35 p.m. and one was struck by a car.

Let Out of Gaol Seven

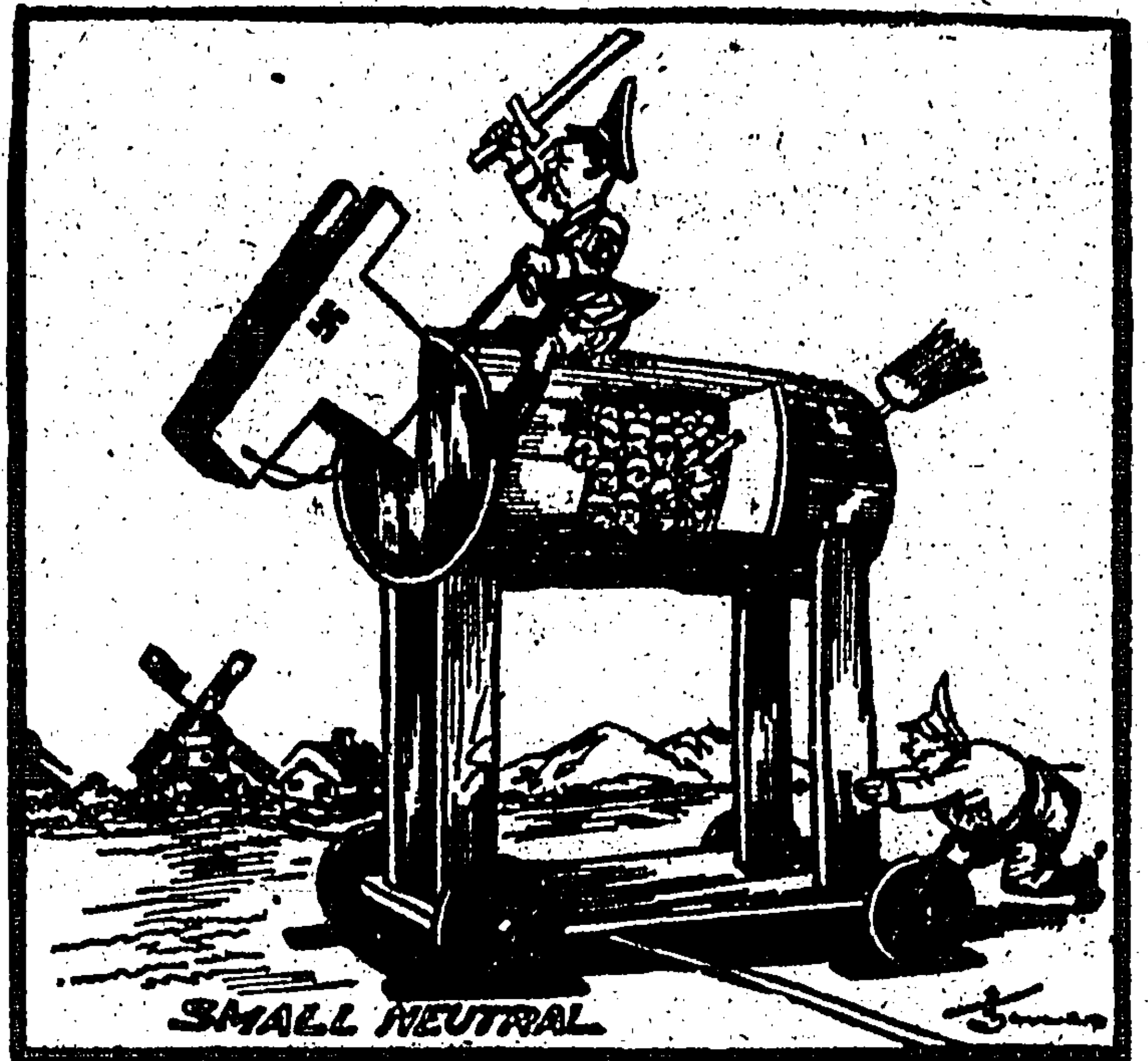
Minutes For His Wedding

A man was allowed out of gaol for seven minutes to get married.

The bridegroom, Henry John McCarthy, twenty-seven, an Irishman, was sentenced at Guernsey Royal Court to four months' imprisonment for an offence against a girl under sixteen.

The girl, a Miss Torode, now over sixteen, was the bride.

The court where McCarthy was tried, the gaol and the register office where the marriage took place are in one block of buildings.



"Detroit News"

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Has It Gone Off Yet?

Reporting that a mine had been driven ashore on an isolated part of the Scottish coast, a Shetland fisherman wrote to the coast guard authorities: "No need to hurry; I have anchored the mine securely by one of its horns."

Reprieve For Mother

The Home Secretary has recommended a reprieve for Mrs. Georgina Cashmere, aged forty-one, of Prescott-road, Liverpool, who, at Manchester Assizes on April 30 was sentenced to death for the murder of her two-year-old daughter on April 13.

30 Beers—A Great Dane!

A Danish sailor has been sentenced to ten days' imprisonment by a Copenhagen court for having drunk thirty bottles of Pilsener beer, states the German-controlled Copenhagen wireless.

This was the first sentence passed since the announcement by the Germans of more severe penalties for drunkenness in Denmark.—Reuter.

Golfers Ready For Nazis

Some Swansea golfers turned up at their golf course not with their usual clubs, but with rifles.

The idea, they said, was to put in some rifle training so that they could deal with any German troops who might try to land by parachute.

They were members of the Swansea Bay Club.

Bridal Car—A Tram!

Owing to shortage of petrol, newly-weds in Kassel, Germany, have been unable to hire bridal cars, says "Der Angriff."

The "Mayor and corporation" have therefore decided to have special trams decorated with "beautiful flowers and ribbons, and conductors in gala uniforms," specially for the use of young couples.

Drawing Pin Killed Her

A drawing-pin caused the death of a Manchester widow who lived alone. The pin, which had been used to fasten the curtains to complete the blackout, punctured the lead gas pipe in the wall. The gas escaped slowly and the woman died, as she lay in bed, from carbon monoxide poisoning.

This was related at yesterday's inquest on Mrs. Polly Lloyd, aged sixty-six, of Crab-lane, Blackley, Manchester, when a verdict of Accidental death was recorded.

Caught A Thief

Unawares

Seeing a man getting on a bus at Gerrards Cross, Bucks, Police-Sergeant Robbie asked him who he was and what he was doing.

To the officer's surprise the man said he had just taken 30s. from a local garage, and he handed this money to the sergeant.

The story was told at Beaconsfield Police Court, when Harold Goff, twenty-eight, unemployed, of Orchard-road, Hayes, Middlesex, was sent to prison for two months for stealing the money.



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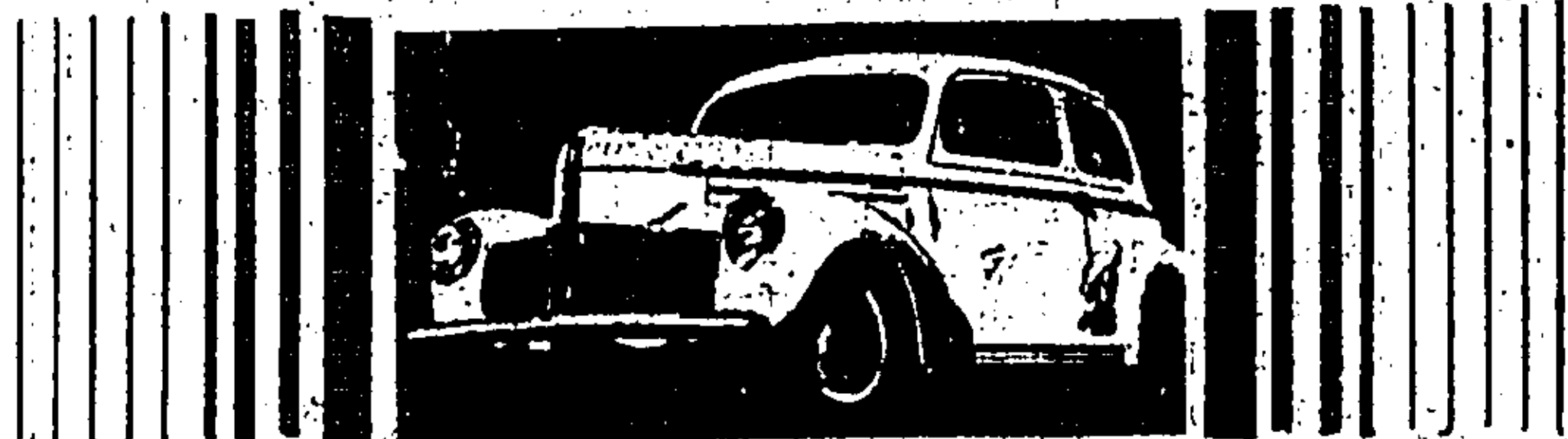
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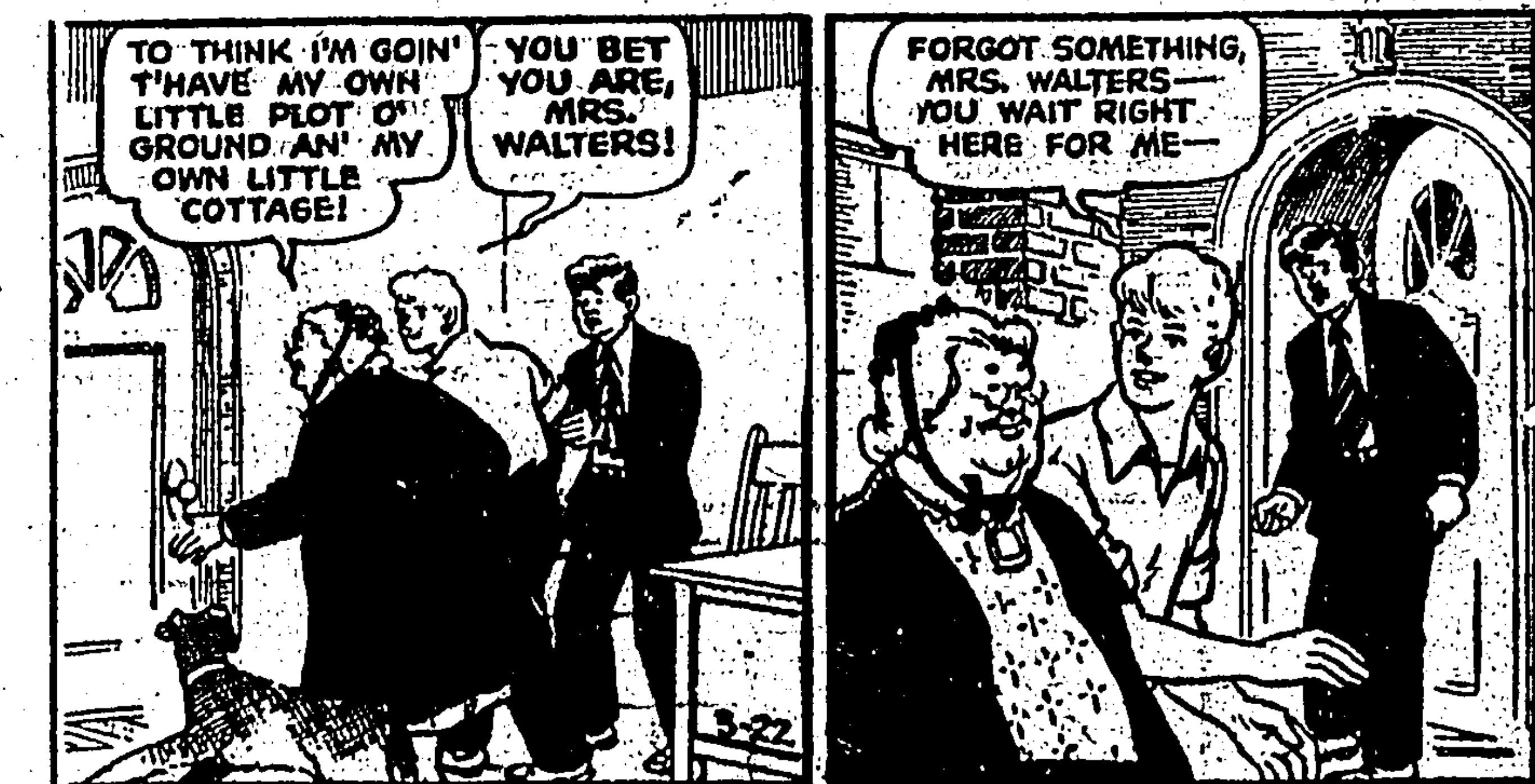
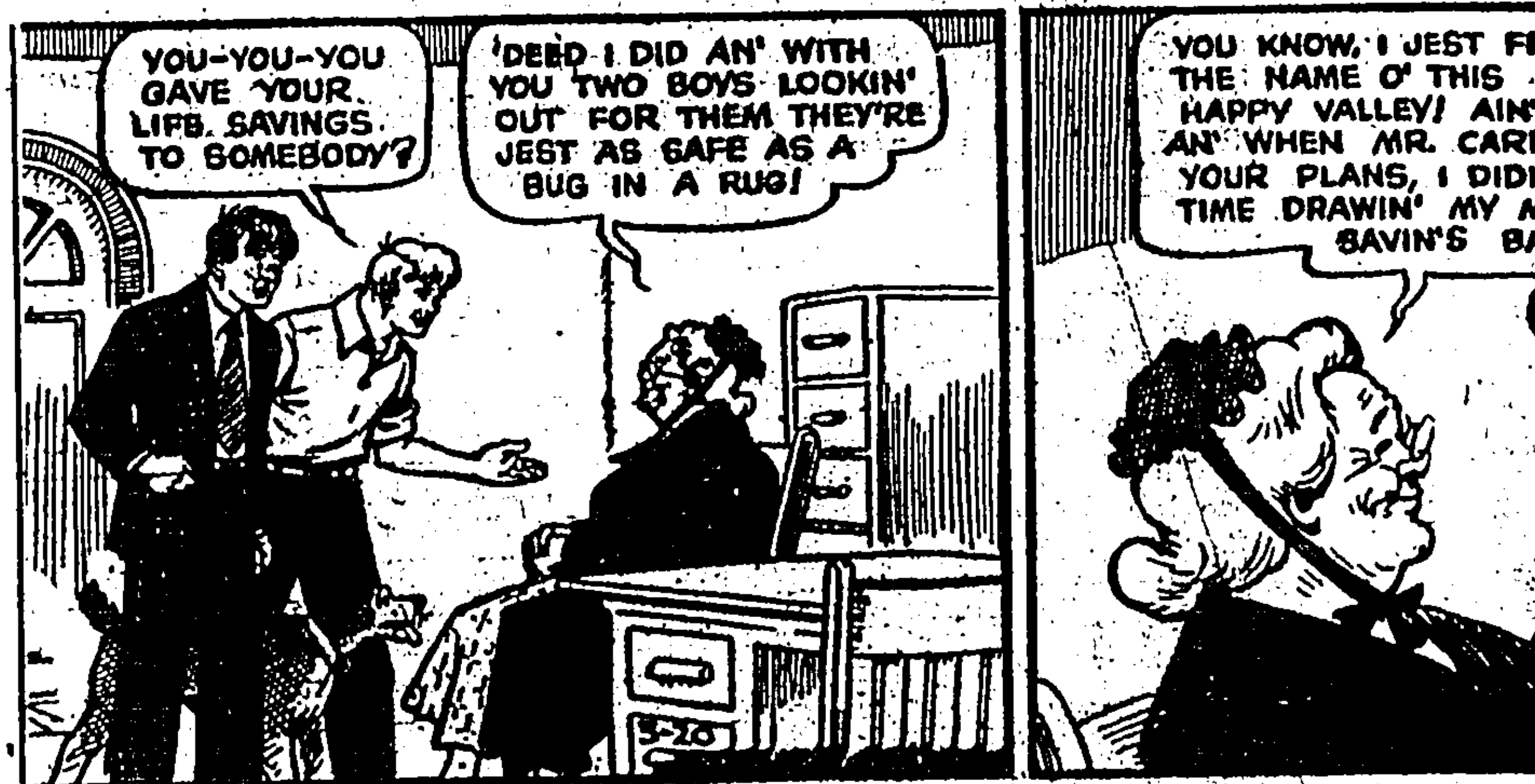
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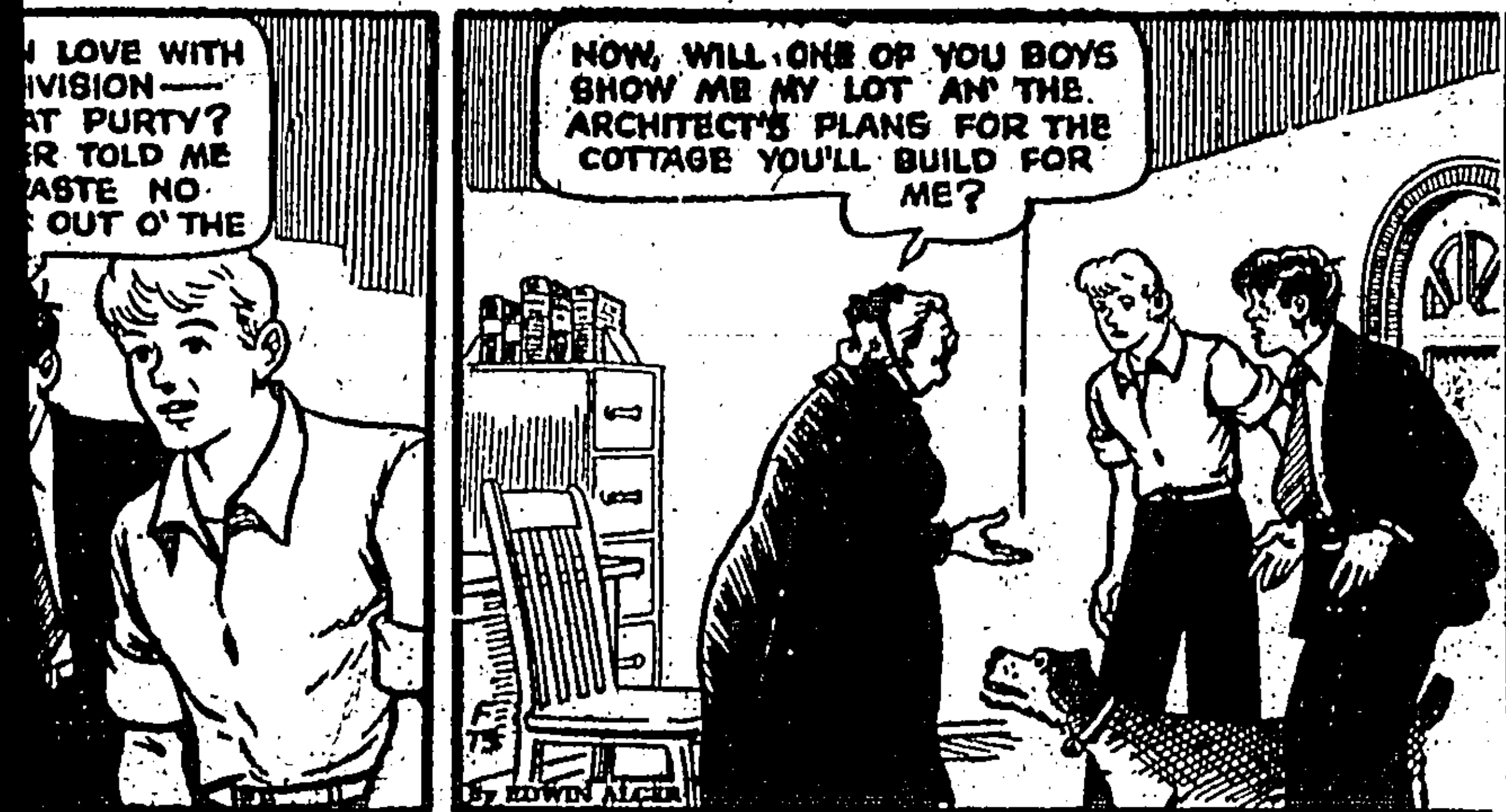
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SHORT STORY

FROZEN TRAIL

By
Landon Grant

THE dogs strained hard at the Peterboro sledge, and the breath of the man running behind came in sharp, expended gasps. The woman sitting on the heap of furs twisted round and looked into his strained face.

"Gene, don't kill yourself. Don't—" The man's voice came back to her muted by frost and wind. His breath froze as it left his mouth. Tiny icicles hung to the woollen scarf topping his thick parka. "Got to make Bell's Landing, Della. Got to." Fear, determination gripped him, moulded his face into iron lines. "That damn' Mountie won't let up. It's hell—but we got no choice."

The woman turned her gaze back to the frozen waste over which the sure-footed huskies were pounding their way, steam rising in dank clouds, then dispersing rapidly in the cold atmosphere. Here and there the landscape was broken by a group of tufted firs; pines struggling for life in small valley bottoms. But nothing moved save that sledge, the man fleeing capture, and the straining dogs.

The sun, that had been an orange ball in the frosty heavens, was blotted out. It was a white world, and the keen northern wind following their running dusted over their trail with quick, furtive fingers.

"Will that Mountie know where you're heading for, Gene?" the woman asked.

The man laughed bitterly, a soughing sound.

"He'll know." He bit off the words. "Bell's Landing is our only hope. It's that or . . . meet a wolf pack."

As he spoke he stumbled, and all but fell. The woman rose quickly, jumped from the sledge, and hauled at the lead-reins.

"Hold it, Ungat! Stop, Brown Boy!" The dogs hesitated, slowed, dragged to a stop and stood panting, licking their wide jaws with pink tongues, and rumbling deep growls in their lean throats.

The woman ran to the man's side. Gene Hartman was leaning against a sledge pole, pain twisting his face.

"I can't help it, Della. It's that damn' bullet wound. It—it's giving me hell."

Pity and fear strove in the woman's eyes, but were ousted by a light of deeper emotion. Her glance caressed as she watched his drawn face and noted its greying ridges.

"You're palling, Gene. I'll mush the dogs."

He strove to pull himself together. "No, girl, it's no use. I know the trail. I'm running blind—a chance in a hundred."

She stayed his words with a gloved hand, and pulled him towards the sledge, forced him down, and covered him with a blanket.

"I'm mushing, Gene," she said quietly, and he knew she meant it. He made a futile gesture with his hand, but she took no notice.

"Just point, right or left when I've got to swing the dogs, Gene. That's all," said her quiet voice, now empty of fear, trusting only in something she did not understand. She loved that man—now more

than ever, and he needed her.

She swung to the poles, lifted her voice in a "hobbling call to the dogs."

"Mush, Ungat, Brown Boy; Mush!" The dogs, glad to be moving, leaped forward, writhing their joy.

The sledge slid forward over the hard, rock-frozen ground, feathering the surface snow and gathering speed with every yard.

Night was drawing a curtain over the Arctic day as the tired dogs tore into the lower grade that would bring them to level of the frozen river. The man on the sledge pointed with his left arm, and the girl ran ahead, tugged at the leader's harness, and hauled him round, yapping, close to rebellion. In half an hour it would be a black and white world.

It seemed an interminable half-hour, but it ended abruptly. The sledge swung down to the cleared, deserted space of Bell's Landing, and the woman hauled the team to a noisy standstill.

She helped the man from the sledge, built a fire, hotted food, and fed the tethered dogs. She was tired, weary in soul and body, but she kept to her work. She had to, and always when she spoke her voice was low, breathing hope.

"To-morrow, Gene, we'll be across the river, and then . . ."

She slept close to the man, fearful of the cold, the danger following them, and what lay before. They had burned their boats. They . . .

Thought was useless.

But the danger behind was drawing closer every hour. Corporal Dan Soames, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, had a reputation, like his fellows, for getting his man, and he was determined that Gene Hartman, wanted for the killing of Bruce Chandler, should not escape him. He was out to get his man, spurred on by the thought of what he carried in a fur-covered bundle. This run would make history, he knew. Two hundred and fifty miles he and his dogs had stuck to the trail, drawing closer with each day's end.

There was a relentless urge in the Mountie's veins. His code, what he stood for, was the one thing in his life—it was his life. One of that handful of men who take the law to the remotest wastes of the globe, he was proud of the tradition of which he was a living part and symbol.

Gene Hartman should be brought into headquarters, a handcuffed prisoner.

That was all that mattered to Dan Soames. It was the one thought in his mind as he drove through the night, hurrying encouragement at his prize dog team, staying every one of them, dogs he had nursed from pups, and trained himself. They would keep going as long as Gene Hartman was in front of him.

But not far in front now. Every hard-won half-mile every frozen half-yard, was real conquest.

The new day was two hours old when Hartman's dogs rose, crying shrilly.

The woman got up from the sledge.

"Gene! Can it be—wolves?"

Her voice trembled. The man turned a drowsy head. He was parched and flame encircled his body where the bullet had entered. He was licked, but could not admit it.

"Not wolves, Della. It—it's him."

Their fire was dead. The woman dragged a rifle from the sledge pack.

"No," said the man weakly. "Not that, Della. Not now—when you're safe."

"But, Gene," she pleaded, "you didn't do it! You're not guilty. It was his gun . . ."

Fever burned in the man's eyes, and words choked in his throat, but he forced them through his clenched teeth.

"That's why, Della," he muttered. "We'd lose out if—if we resorted to murder—now."

His tired, aching head fell back, and the woman stood by, the rifle unlifted, its butt against the glass-smooth earth.

Corporal Dan Soames ran down with his team, rifle aimed at the ready. He was surprised to meet no resistance.

"Hartman," he said, "I arrest you for the murder of Bruce Chandler, and anything you say will be used as evidence against you."

He turned to the woman:

"And you, Mrs. . . ."

The man on the sledge interrupted.

"Hartman—my wife."

The corporal's eyes widened.

"I didn't know you were married, Hartman. I heard Chandler was, and that—"

"My wife, I tell you," said the man, on the sledge fiercely. "You hear?"

The Mountie looked at the man, noted the fever spots on his face, turned to the woman, and saw her lifted chin, stubborn, dominant, and shrugged.

"Okay, as you say. It makes no difference to me, Hartman. You killed Chandler."

The woman's eyes flamed, then blazed.

"He didn't. I tell you there was a fight. It wasn't murder. You're wrong—wrong, I tell you. It was Bruce himself—"

She stopped, aware that use of that Christian name had betrayed the truth, that she really was Bruce Chandler's wife. But the Mountie shrugged again. He was puzzled, but he had his man. He had heard the fight was about a woman. It didn't make any difference which woman. Chandler was dead, and he had his evidence.

"Sure, sure," he said smoothly. But we'll leave that for the court."

The woman's tongue lashed him.

"You won't have to bother with a court if you don't fix your prisoner. He's hurt—bad."

The pain in her voice registered a new impression in the Mountie's mind. He set to work on his prisoner, swabbing wound,

cutting away frozen flesh, and dressing the rent in flesh and muscle.

"You're lucky," he announced. "Only the cold saved you, Hartman."

"Lucky!" said the woman bitterly. "Saved!"

After dawn had lit the sky the southern run across the river and through the Widmore Hills began. Dan Soames took it easy. He had his man, and he had to keep him alive now, so that the hangman could do his job and another lesson be read to the lawless. For three more days they held to the trail. Hartman mended, the fever left his body, cleared the false brightness from his eyes. After a week he was on his feet. A few more days, and they would be pulling in to headquarters, and then . . .

But fate dealt a different hand.

Crossing a small frozen river on a high plateau, the Mountie's sledge ripped through surface ice, tipped over, and cold black water suddenly swirled over Dan Soames' fur-shod feet. He cried to the dogs, but too late. The sharp tug merely dislodged loose tackle, sent it rolling into the black water between the curved edges of broken ice.

The fur-covered bundle slipped into the inky waters, and the Mountie saw his precious evidence vanish. For a moment he stood paralysed by thought. Five hundred miles of rough going, almost won through, and . . .

He took the plunge—literally.

He went down into the numbing ice-covered water, groping with both hands. Above Hartman stood, an expression of wonder on his square face, calling.

The corporal came up, grasping his precious bundle.

"You damn' fool!" shouted Hartman.

"That fool trick will be your death!" Soames' face was pinched and blue. He grinned tightly.

"That would—would let you—out," he chattered between teeth that would not clench.

"Hell, corporal, I'm not . . ."

He choked.

"Della," he called, "help me get this fool into dry things, and then boil up some coffee. What the devil is so important about that damned bundle?" he asked.

The chattering, shivering Mountie smiled ironically.

"That little bundle, Hartman, is your—fate," he muttered.

For a moment Hartman stood undecided. Here was a God-given opportunity to win clear, to beat this dogged policeman. He was sorely tempted, but he knew that to leave Soames now would be to leave him to his death. It would be nothing short of murder—of another kind. And Soames had treated his prisoner well.

The Mountie, shaking in every limb, watched the struggle for mastery in his prisoner's face, saw Hartman plumb to the depths of self and come up victor of a fight that had made a cruel battleground of his soul.

"I—I guess my fate's to play doctor right now," he said with false lightness, and got to work changing Soames' clothes.

The next three days little was said between Gene Hartman and the woman he had said was his wife. Their thoughts and feelings were too bitter to be put into words and trusted to speech. And they had a job on their hands. Soames went down with pneumonia, and his mind raved with delirium. Hartman set his teeth and kept to the grim frozen trail. The words muttered by the raving Mountie were patterns of doubt and despair in his mind, but he saw his purpose clearly now. The roles were reversed. He had to get Soames in to headquarters, alive.

It was his justification for everything he had done, for the visit to Chandler's shack on the frozen gold-field, for his flight, and taking the woman he had loved and whom he had seen suffer at Chandler's brutal hands until he had no longer been able to stand by.

It was as though those days provided a crucible for the breaking down and re-making of Gene Hartman, the man who had drifted before the stray winds of life, who had squandered his youth, and then found a clear path to happiness in a land most of the world had forgotten if it had ever known.

The woman sensed his struggle. Her eyes gave him courage, while her lips were silent. She nursed the Mountie, worked hard with the second sledge, to enable the man who had claimed her as his to make good time across the frozen wastes.

They pulled into Dan Soames' headquarters base about midday, the dogs dead-beat, hungry as wolves. Sergeant Smithson listened to the tale Hartman had to tell, and his eyes widened. He was a hard-bitten law officer who had brought in his own prisoners over hundreds of miles, but he had never heard a story like this before. Soames was unconscious.

"Mean to say you've brought yourself in under arrest, Hartman?"

The man who had finished the Mountie's journey for him smiled.

"I'm not guilty of murder, sergeant. I fought with Chandler after he fired at me. In the struggle his arms got twisted round, and when he pulled the trigger the bullet entered his own body. That is how he died."

The sergeant pondered this.

"Anything to substantiate it?"

"My own wound."

The sergeant examined it, but shook his head.

"Might have been self-inflicted. Proves nothing, Hartman. The notes in Soames' notebook are clear enough, but he mentions something about conclusive evidence. Know what he means?"

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BLUE POOL MURDER TRIAL

The case in which Lo Kau, contractor's coolie, is charged with the murder of Chun Ming, his foreman, on April 3 at Blue Pool Road was opened this morning at the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Mr. T. F. Lo, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, appeared for the defence, and Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin, was for the prosecution.

Mr. Murphy said that Chung Ming was foreman in charge of the reconstruction of a house in Blue Pool Road.

On April 2, the day before the murder, the foreman complained of accused's laziness and as a result he was dismissed.

The next day, at about 11 a.m., accused entered the shed where the foreman was looking over some plans. He was armed with an axe and he inflicted three deep cuts over deceased's head. Two carpenters would say that, they heard shouts and saw Chun leaning across the desk with blood pouring from his head. Lo was seen running from the house with the axe in his hand.

Accused was arrested next morning at the Macao Wharf.

Dr. Alvares, in charge of the Public Mortuary, said that death was due to a fractured skull and haemorrhage. The case is proceeding.

FROZEN TRAIL

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The sergeant might have been laying a trap for the other, but his manner was bland, casual. Hartman's face was lined from fatigue and a new doubt that was plaguing his mind.

"There's a bundle, sergeant. Remember? The one I told you Soames nearly killed himself to get. It's with his pack."

Things were left like that. Hartman was kept prisoner, and a hut was prepared for the woman. Then began a period of waiting till Soames recovered sufficiently to be able to tell his own story. A fortnight went by, and only then did the staff doctor pronounce the Mountie out of real danger.

Sergeant Smithson sat at Soames' bed and told him what had happened and how the case stood. Some days before the corporal had learned of how he had been brought in by his prisoner, and he had had time to think things out in his mind. He felt grateful to Hartman; the man had saved his life. But his duty was plain. He had arrested the man for murder, and he would have to stand trial.

Smithson waited while Soames got his mind clear.

"It was damn plucky," muttered the corporal.

The sergeant rubbed his chin. He did not feel comfortable. In the fortnight that had passed he had found things to like in the prisoner.

"It was pluckier than that, Dan. But he's in, and you arrested him. We can't go back on that—even if we would. But it's still a long way to Regina. If he stands trial and is convicted, what he did for you will stand him in good stead, but he won't dodge a life's term."

The corporal looked thoughtful.

"That woman isn't his wife—she's Chandler's wife, sarge."

Smithson had seen a lot of the world. "I'd gathered that, Dan. But it doesn't make any real difference."

"That's what I thought at first when I picked them up, but she's the one real witness, and if she isn't his wife—"

"We couldn't stop him marrying her, anyway. Chandler's dead. And don't forget Chandler's reputation wasn't savoury."

"Sarge," said the corporal, "that bundle with the gun—it's all right?"

Smithson nodded.

"Lucky you wrapped it in an oilskin pouch first or it wouldn't have held the fingerprints."

Dan Soames took a long breath before asking, "You've had those prints checked, sarge?"

"Yes, Dan. But tell me, first, whose tin tobacco-box is that in your pack?"

"Chandler's. I brought it along—well, in case. That's all."

Smithson smiled, leaned forward, and patted the sick man's shoulder.

"Just as well you did, Dan."

It was a couple of hours later that Hartman was taken from his prison-room to Sergeant Smithson's office.

"I've got good news for you, Hartman,"

AID POURING INTO BRITAIN FROM ALL OVER EMPIRE

LONDON, To-day.
SOME INDICATION OF THE HUGE and varied contributions in "cash and kind" that have been pouring into Britain from all parts of the Empire was given by Bryan Meredith in a broadcast talk yesterday.

It is a long list which grows longer as each day and hour passes, he said, and ranges from heavy material support and heavy spiritual support, the sum total being several million pounds of comforting cash and a world of heartening friendship.

One list is entitled "Military and other gifts made by Colonial Governments, paramount chiefs, and various bodies and individuals in the British Colonial Empire to His Majesty's Government and organizations." This list goes on for pages and pages, not only because so many peoples have contributed, but also because the gifts have been so many, so varied and so human.

There has been lashings of money to the Red Cross, St. Dunstan's, the Y.M.C.A. and other war organizations, as well as money for war expenses or some specific purpose, such as giant bombers.

Then there are many homely items, not cash but in kind.

Coffee & Rice

Take Tanganyika, for instance, some chieftains and their people have given portions of their 1939 harvests of coffee and maize. Another tribe sent 50 lb. of tobacco for the Services, while another sent 10 tons of rice to the King's African Rifles.

In Jamaica, 50 live turtles have been given to the Royal Navy by a firm which specialises in them, while the lonely little island of Tristan da Cunha has sent woollen comforts knitted by 25 inhabitants. Organizations and individuals, too, have sent gifts.

The Chinese section of the Red Cross of Trinidad has sent money for two ambulances.

In Fiji, 600 lepers have contributed half of the money raised for their own support.

The list could go on for hours and hours, so vast it is—and to the people at Home, these gifts represent good will and prayers that are both humbling and heartening.—Reuter.

said the Sergeant. "The case against you is dropped."

Hartman steadied himself.

"Why—how—" he muttered. During the past two weeks he had striven to achieve a philosophical attitude towards the future, but at the sergeant's words his new reserve cracked.

"That bundle Soames nearly killed himself to get, Hartman, contained an oilskin pouch, inside it the gun that shot Chandler and the bullet that killed him. They checked all right, but fingerprints on the gun didn't match yours. But Dan Soames never leaves things to chance. He brought along Chandler's tobacco-box. Luckily it was smothered with fingerprints that did match those on the gun. I guess that holds up your story. Anyway, I've radioed Regina, and I've got confirmation that we haven't a case, especially as Mrs. Chandler would swear it was self-defence."

Smithson rose and turned his back.

"I don't know what you mean—Mrs. Chandler!"

Hartman stood erect, gripping the edges of the sergeant's desk.

Without looking round the latter said, "It's all right, man, this isn't a trap. We know you're trying to protect her name. Running off with another man when your husband has just been shot doesn't sound so good—especially when the man you run off with is the one who shot your husband. That's all right, Hartman. The case is closed, and we won't say any more about that. But I want to thank you—personally I mean—for bringing in Soames. He's my right-hand man."

He turned back to the other.

"I reckon Dan will want to thank you before you pull out, Hartman, and I know you must be ready to see the back of this place, so I won't keep you any longer, but—"

He held out his hand, and they shook. Hartman mumbled some words and turned towards the door. As he reached it the sergeant added, "Your best route is dead east. Hartman. You'll find Father La-tour's mission three miles on your way. Give him my kind regards, and tell him I'll expect a full account of the wedding when I next call in."

"I'll tell him," nodded Hartman.

The door closed after him.

LAPSE OF OFFICE BOY

Tam Chung-lok, 28, office boy, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, with fraudulent conversion of \$23.40 on June 3, and \$42.85 on June 14.

Defendant was employed by Mr. Chen Kin-cho, compradore of Loxley and Company. On June 3, was given \$23.40 to pay two bills to Dodwell and Company. On June 14, he was given \$42.85 to pay two other bills. As no receipts were received, defendant was questioned and admitted that he lost the money in gambling.

Defendant had been with Loxley and Company for three years. His salary was \$18 per month, and he had been a very good worker.

Defendant was remanded 24 hours to enable him to make restitution.

MOTORING OFFENCE

Mr. B. R. Iranee, of No. 1, Kennedy Terrace, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., to-day for allowing his car, No. 362, to remain longer than necessary in Des Voeux Road Central, near Man Wah Lane, on June 3.

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

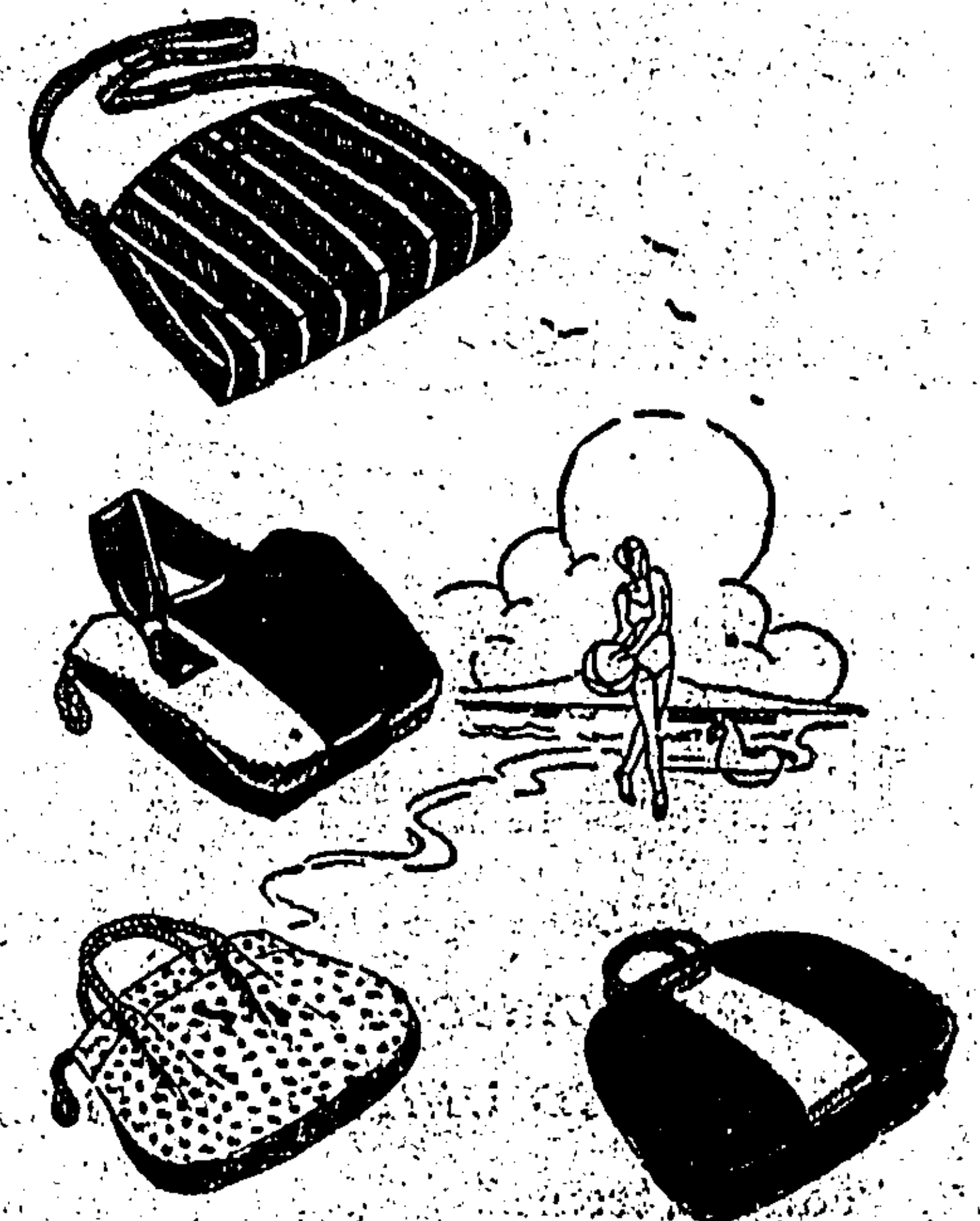
Detective-Sergeant Taylor said that defendant arrived here from Shanghai yesterday. He possessed a French passport, but it was not valid for the Colony. He was advised not to leave the ship but ignored it.

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The postage rates via the revised Imperial Airways Service are unchanged.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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Shanghai	June 22.
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Japan and Shanghai	June 23.
Shanghai and Amoy	June 23.
U.S.A. and Manila—(San Francisco) date, 20th May	June 23.
London and Straits	June 23.
Saigon	June 23.
Shanghai and Amoy	June 23.
Japan and Shanghai	June 24.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Service"	June 24.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	June 24.
Canton	June 24.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 18th June	June 25.
Shanghai	June 25.
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Japan and Shanghai	June 26.
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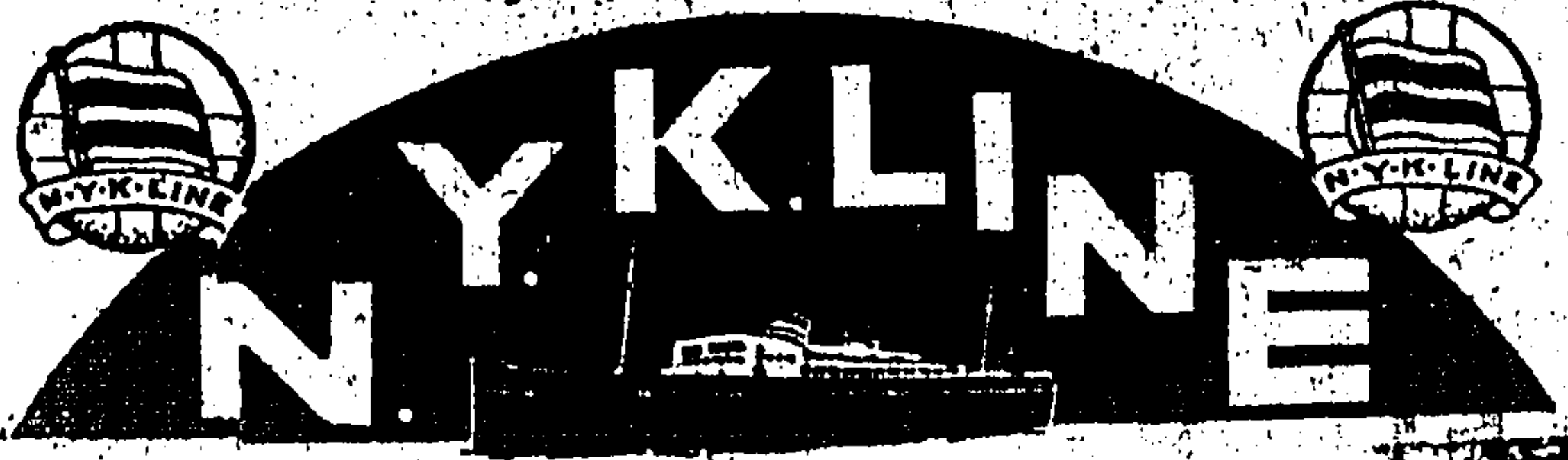
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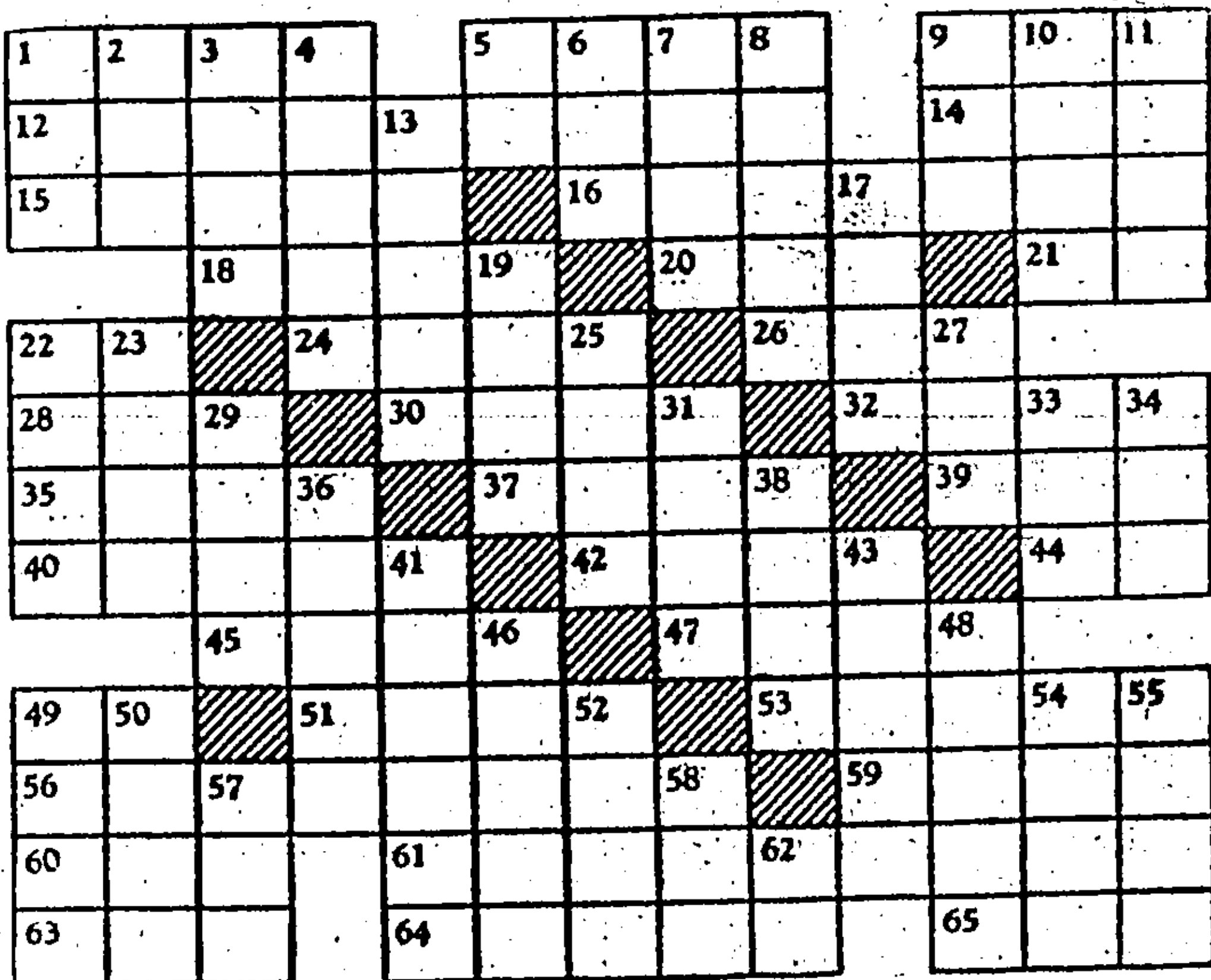
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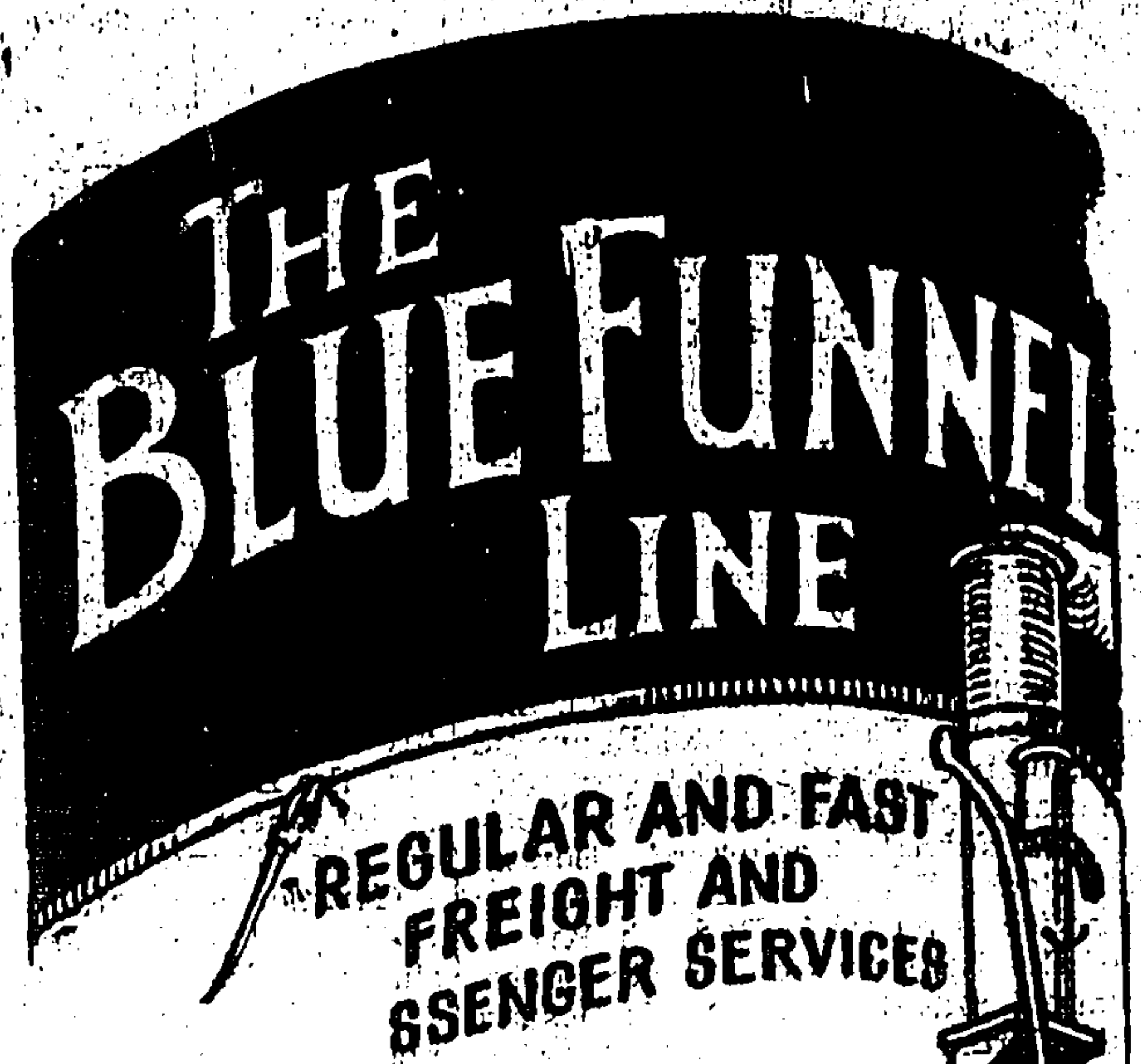
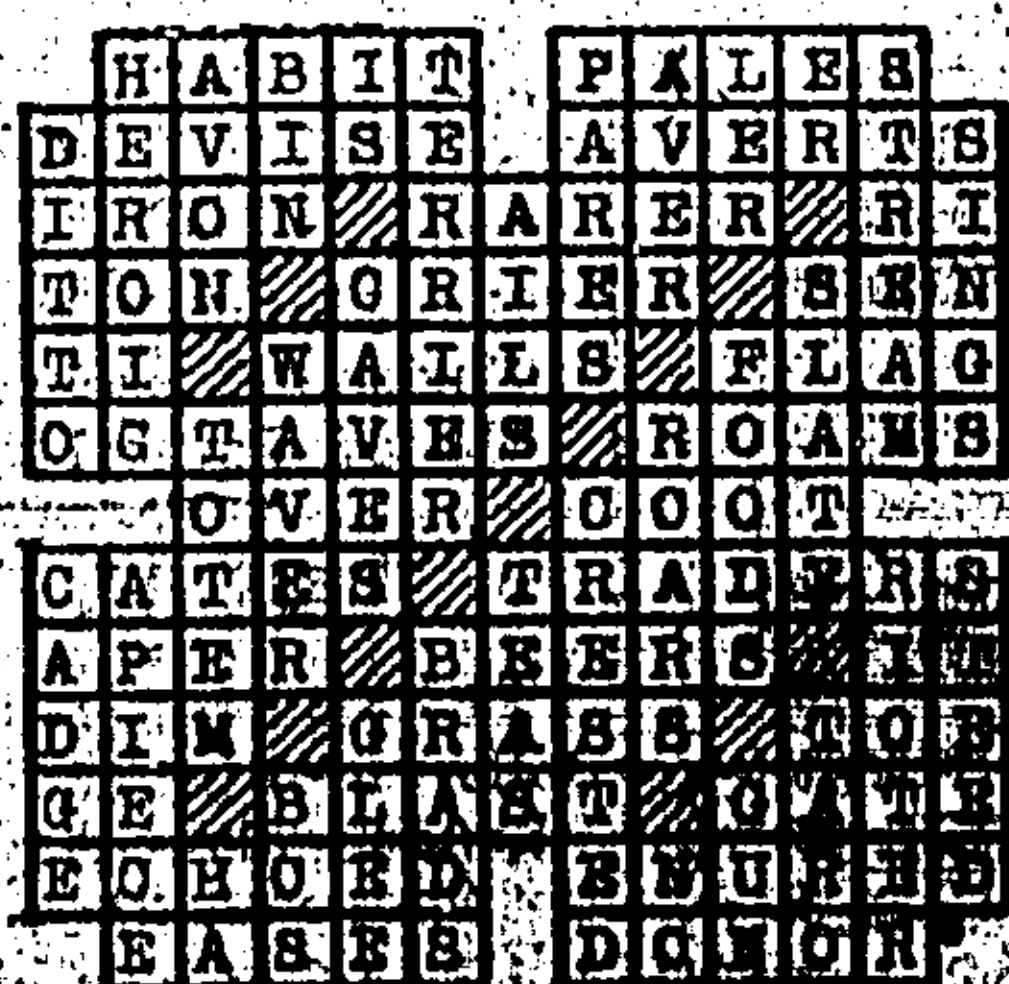
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- 1 To eat by regimen
- 5 Northern ptarmigan
- 9 To annex
- 12 Doubtful
- 14 To plead
- 15 More extraordinary
- 16 An additional
- 18 Ox of Celebes
- 20 Informer
- 21 Note of scale
- 22 To exist
- 24 Part of egg
- 26 To essay
- 28 Point in tennis
- 30 Capital of Russian Lapland
- 32 Uncanny
- 35 Fellow
- 37 Vast ages
- 39 To court
- 40 Saxon chief
- 42 Church benches
- 44 Greek letter
- 45 Molten rock
- 47 To blind
- 49 Indo-Chinese language
- 51 Affection

VERTICAL

- 1 Couple
- 2 Poetic
- 3 Hindustan
- 4 Colloquial
- 5 Japanese measure
- 6 Cretan mountain
- 7 Writes
- 8 To accept as one's own
- 9 Cinder
- 10 Conflict
- 11 Egyptian measure
- 13 Colloquial
- 17 Capital of Phoenicia
- 19 Succulent plant
- 22 German composer
- 23 To imitate
- 25 Dull noise
- 27 Coniferous tree
- 29 Nobleman
- 31 Dill
- 33 Gypsy
- 34 Pronoun
- 36 Sacred poem
- 38 Graceful bird
- 41 Shuns
- 43 Bobbin
- 46 To turn aside
- 48 Over
- 49 Projecting part
- 50 Aloud
- 52 Silkworm
- 54 Particular instances
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- 57 Greek letter
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FASCIST ROUND-UP

Four Men Detained
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London, June 7.

It was stated by the police yesterday that four Suffolk officials of the British Union of Fascists have been taken into custody under the Defence Regulations. They are Ronald Noan Creasy and George Frederick Hoggarth, both of Eye, near Ipswich, and Lawrence W. Harding and Raymond Smith, both of Bury St. Edmunds. After a search at his home, Norman Hollaway, 29, school teacher, of Borstal Road, Rochester, has been detained by the police. Frederick Rudolph Kruse, 50, of Rosebery Avenue, South Shore, Blackpool, was detained on Wednesday night. Kruse, an estate agent, is a German by birth and was naturalized two years ago. His house was searched for nearly three hours by the police.

GERMAN SOLDIERS PUZZLED: ASK: WHERE ARE OUR FLYERS?

London, June 7.

"Many of our soldiers coming back have not seen the R.A.F. at work; they saw only the bombers that escaped its protective attack. They underrate its achievements," said Mr. Churchill in his speech last Tuesday.

If the British troops sometimes wondered where their own flyers were, so did the Germans. Read on.

German prisoners taken in the British retreat to Dunkirk have one constant complaint against their own organisation — "Where were the Air Force?"

One German officer, now in British hands, told yesterday of his experiences when the R.A.F., brilliantly answering the call for help on the Meuse,

bombed and machine-gunned him and his men.

"Our aeroplanes never came," he said. "The R.A.F. seemed never to go away. They rained death down on us. It was like being in Hell."

HEAVY LOSSES

Where are our 'planes? That question has been asked many times in the fighting, say German prisoners. German columns were dispersed with heavy losses. German supplies were destroyed; bridges were broken, railway lines were torn up by the continual raiding of the R.A.F.

"If you escaped the bombs, they were after you with machine-guns," was a description given by one N.C.O.

Another bitterly complained that he had to go hungry for days. "Our rations couldn't come up," he said. "It was the fault of our aeroplanes. They should have driven away those devils of the R.A.F."

"We never knew when food or munitions or reinforcements were going to get through. Sometimes they did not."

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

K.F.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Football Club in the Lawn Bowls League to-morrow:—

Second Division (v. Taikoo R.C., Home):—J. Gibson, A. Eastman, R. Hall and P. Younghusband (skip); A. Lapsley, V. Attanza, V. Chittenden and W. Field (skip); W. Groves, R. Hughes, C. Dowman and W. Simpson (skip).

C.S.C.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Civil Service Cricket Club in the Lawn Bowls League to-morrow:—

First Division (v. H.K.F.C., Away):—E. W. C. Simmonds, J. Hollidge, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones (skip); M. E. Purvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen and H. E. Strange (skip); J. Gellatly, J. Deakin, L. A. Collyer and J. F. McGowan (skip).

Second Division (v. C.C.C., Home):—C. J. Walker, H. Parrott, A. Steven and S. Eccleshall (skip); A. F. Shepherd, S. Wardie, A. B. Allan and W. R. Hillyer (skip); P. D. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper and C. Strange (skip).

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"No presents?"

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EARLY CLOSING SUMMONSES

Under the new Early Closing Ordinance, a number of shops in the Yaumati district were summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning for breach of the Regulations by carrying on business after 8 p.m.

Majority of the shops summoned were stores dealing in fruit, cigarettes and aerated waters.

They were alleged to have carried on retail trade other than the selling of permitted goods.

Twenty shops were summoned.

Mr. M. W. Lo pleaded guilty on behalf of four shops, submitting that his clients were the members of the "Vegetable, Fruit Employees' and Employers' Guild" and they were somehow given to understand by the Chairman of the Guild that they could carry on business after 8 p.m.

The Chairman, said Mr. Lo, gave these instructions to the Guild after a meeting with the Assistant S.C.A. on April 20 in response to a petition sent to the S.C.A. by the Guild.

The result of the Meeting as far as he was told, added Mr. Lo, though no definite agreement was reached, was an indication by the Assistant S.C.A. that they could carry on the business of selling fruit after 8 p.m.

Imposing fines ranging from \$10 to \$15, Mr. Macfadyen said that officially he could not take into consideration what had been going on at meetings between the S.C.A. and the Chairman of the Guild.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:—

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Consol. Mines Ps. .0016 sa.
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East Mindanao Ps. .07 sa.
I.X.L. Ps. .22 sa.
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Itogons Ps. .15 sa.
Masbates Ps. .06½ sa.
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Mine Operation Ps. .06½ sa.
North Camarines Ps. .02 sa.
Paracale Gumaus Ps. .13 b.
San Mauricio Ps. .50 sa.
Surigao Consol. Ps. .14 sa.
United Paracales Ps. .15½ sa.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2 7/8.
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Bordeaux, To-day.

The report that M. Jean Chiappe, French Deputy and former Police Commissioner of Paris, has been appointed Governor of Paris by the Germans is entirely inaccurate.

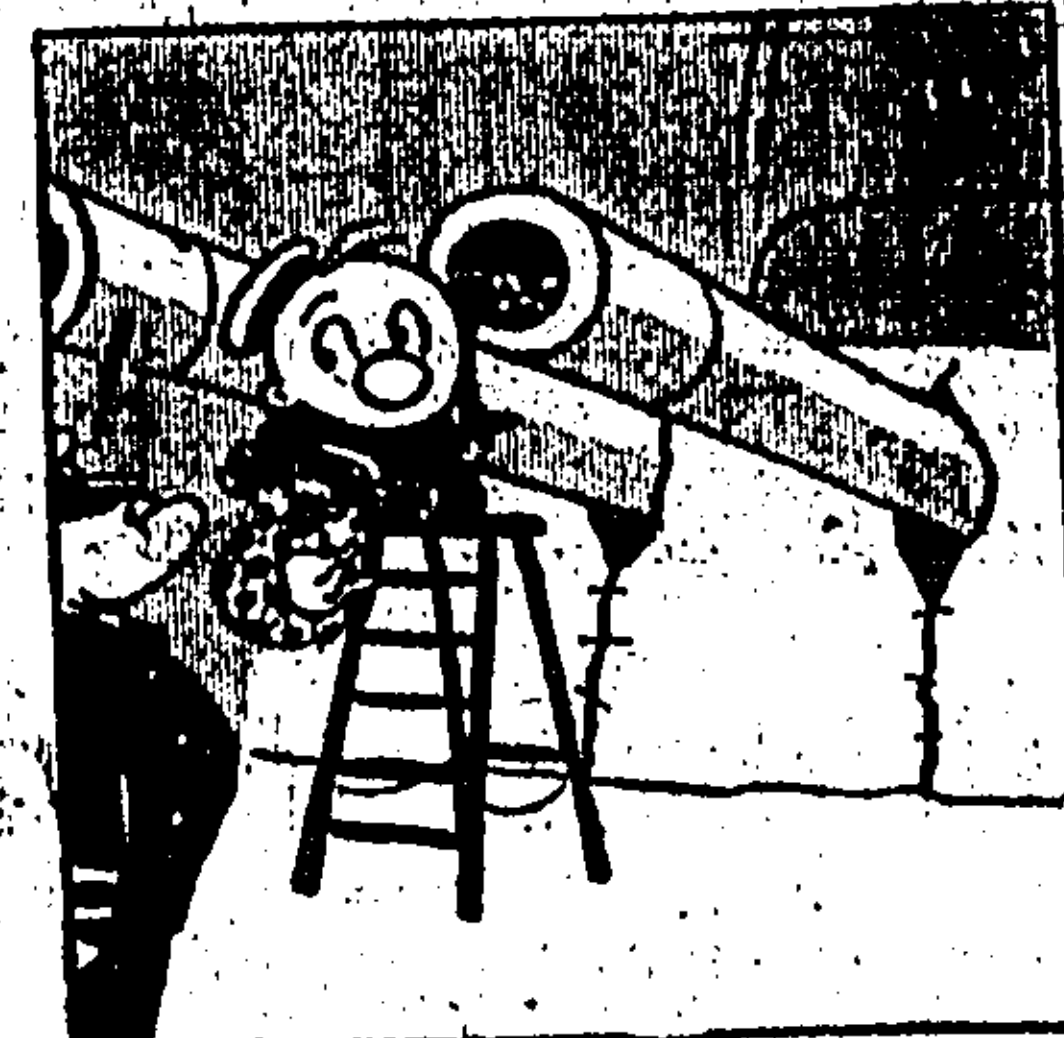
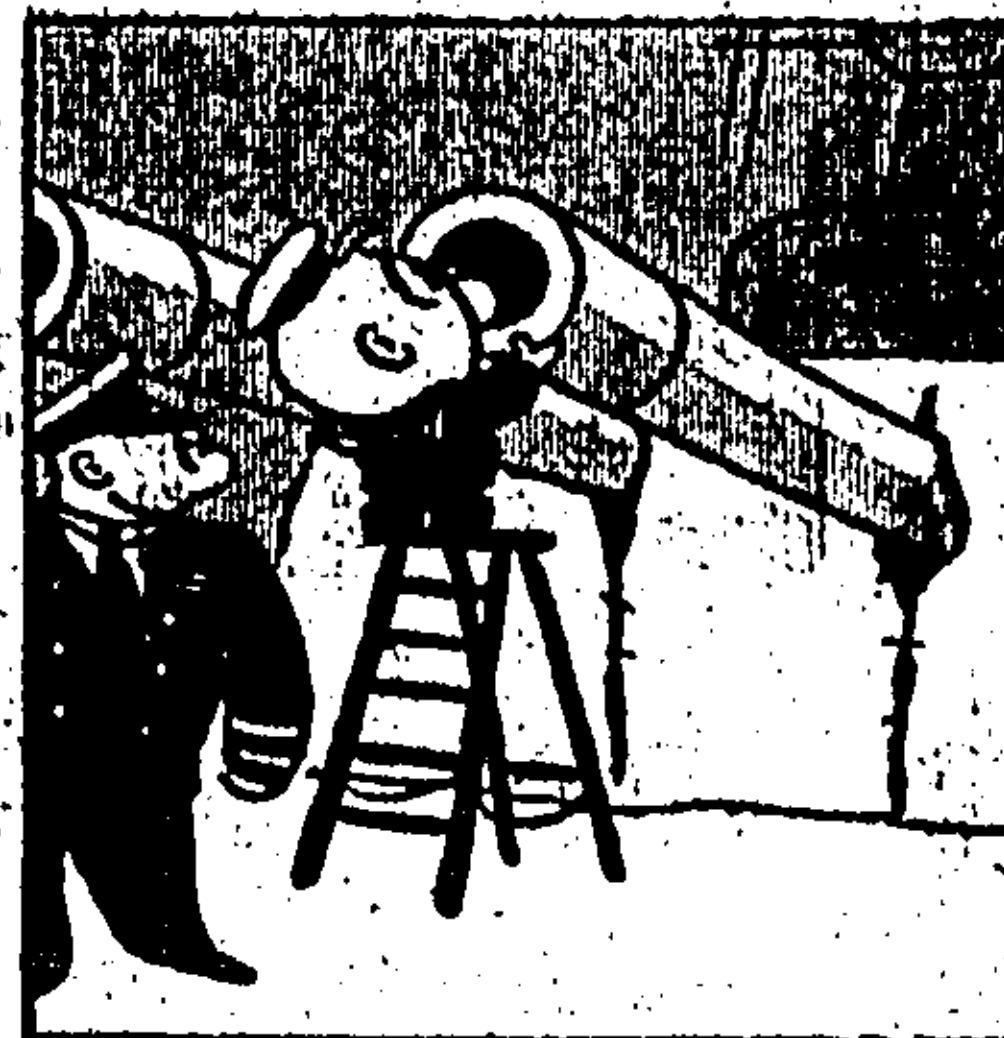
M. Chiappe has been elected Chairman of the Paris Municipal Council by an unanimous vote by the Councillors who remained in Paris following the German occupation of the capital.—Havas.

GERMAN RAID ON BORDEAUX

Bordeaux, To-day.

Over 100 German bombers carried out a heavy raid on this town on Wednesday night, and according to an American correspondent's estimate, there were 60 casualties.

High-explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped on the city, aerodromes, docks and shipping.—Reuter.



CANADA'S BOUNTY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

CABLES FROM OTTAWA SUGGEST THAT IN CONTRAST TO THE GLOOMY FOOD OUTLOOK IN NAZI-OCCUPIED EUROPE, CANADA PROMISES TO BREAK ALL RECORDS IN GRAIN PRODUCTION.

There are nearly 1,500,000 acres more under wheat this year, while in the maritime provinces the rains have induced excellent growths of pastures and forage crops.

In addition, Canada will have a record carry-over of 241,000,000 of wheat with the new season.—Reuter.

THE SECRET SESSION

London, To-day.

Before the House of Commons went into secret session yesterday, Mr. Clement Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, said that it would be undesirable to continue the debate on the morrow, but if members wanted another day it would be possible to arrange it.

There will be a debate on the Ministry of Supply next Thursday, and Mr. Attlee said that if the House desires it, part of that debate may be held in secret.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

The House of Lords went into secret session on the subject of home defence yesterday afternoon; there was a very large attendance. The Commons went into session at 4 p.m.

The next public session will be on Thursday next.—Reuter.

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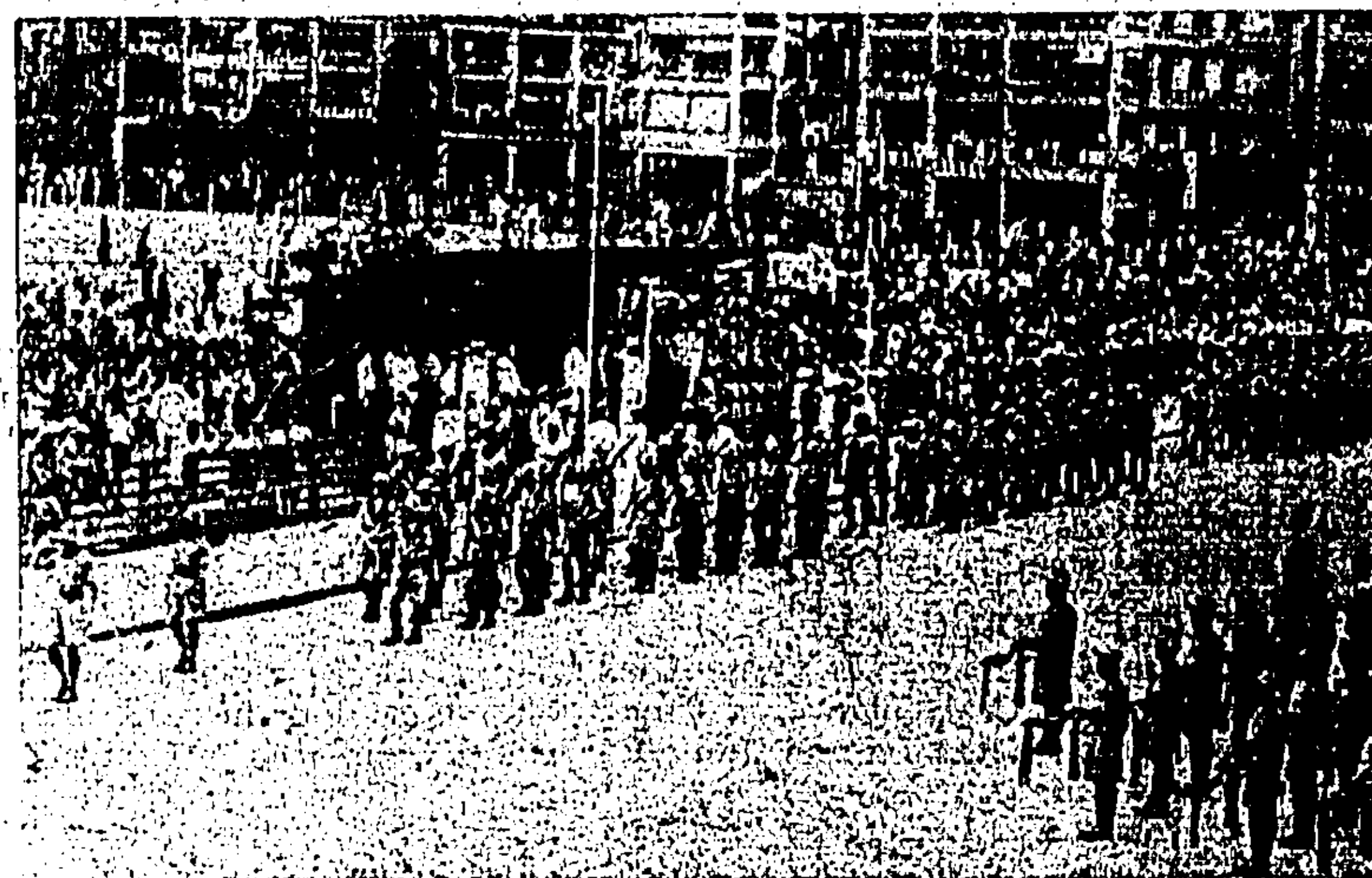
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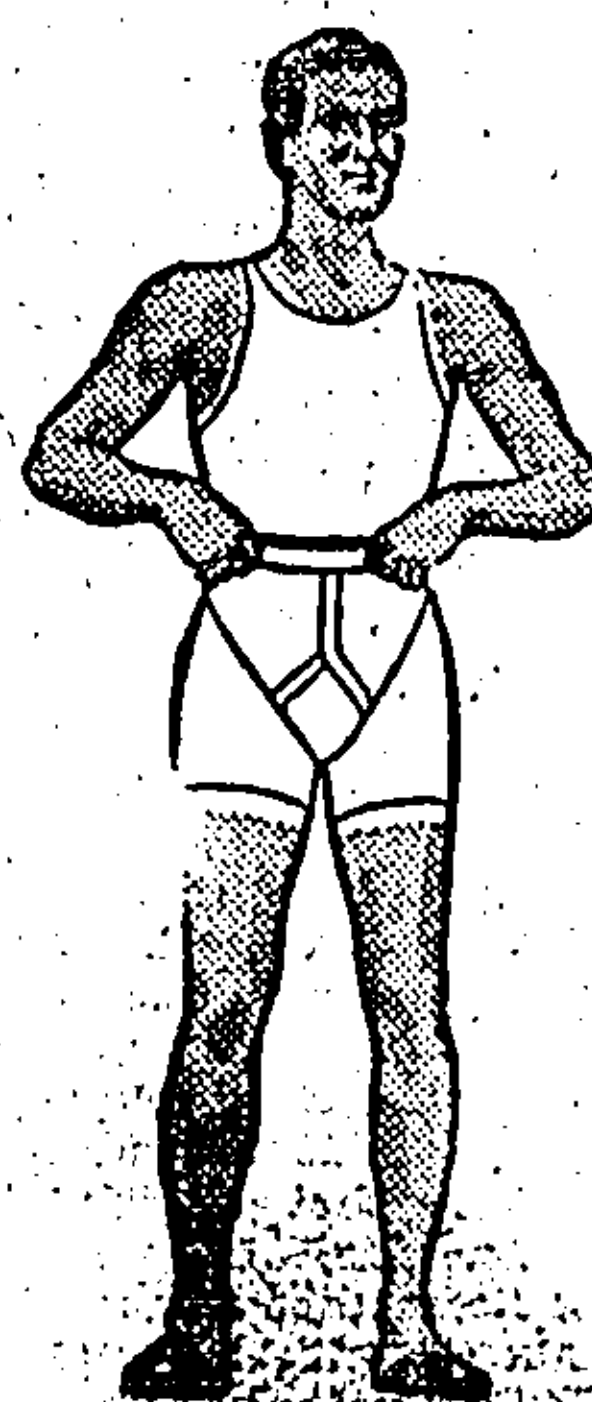


The Royal Scots marching past the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith at the King's Birthday Parade.



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NOTABLE RESULTS IN SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Sloan's Rink Score Season's Second "Possible"

K.B.G.C. RECORD THE "TRIPLE"

By "SKIP"

OUTSTANDING EVENTS in Saturday's lawn bowls programme were firstly the "possible" scored by A. Tarbuck, C. E. Gahagan, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan; secondly the triple win scored by Kowloon Bowling Green Club; thirdly the defeat of Craigengower by Hong Kong Cricket Club, whose first victory it was; and lastly the big win which Kowloon Football Club had against Club de Recreio, whom I thought would win.

Other creditable results were the win achieved by Craigengower against Civil Servants on the latter's ground; the Indians' huge margin against the Police; Kowloon Tong's easy victory over Kowloon Cricket Club; and the great fight which the Police seconds put up against Taikoo, though they lost narrowly.

RECREIO NOT TROUBLED

Club de Recreio were never in any difficulties against Kowloon Dock and won on all rinks, Dick Alves coming back to form with a smashing win at the expense of Fred Cullen, whose score he more than doubled.

Man for man his team were out-bowling the opposition; Leonard Xavier was very good as lead, whereas Bill Houston had an off day, and although the younger Lapsley did well after the interval, F. X. Soares had easily the better of him on the day's play. The better-known Bob Lapsley had perfect green but was inclined to be short most of the time and Fred Cullen had few chances by the time he bowled. He saved on occasion but Alves frequently negated his good work.

C. G. Silva had to go all out to beat McKelvie's rink and just deserved their win though the margin would probably have been less had not the visiting skip given the shot away a couple of times. Joe Luz played a fine game for the home skip and was ably supported by Marques, and these two had a distinct edge on Parks and Ferguson; after a wonderful game in his last match Parks was very disappointing.

It was in the latter portion of the rink that the Dock team shone, Bob Morrison doing nearly all that was asked of him and McKelvie, especially in the late stages of the game, taking advantage of any opening thus made.

The home team ran into a lead of 13-1 in the first portion of the game but a five count started a revival on

the part of the visitors and they pulled up to within three of their opponents, only to lose a four at the next end and finish seven to the bad.

F. X. Silva and Johnny Kempton had an even game before the Portuguese skip emerged winner by three shots. Leo Silva has struck a bad patch apparently and was no match for Calman who, it is only just to add, played a remarkably good game.

Charlie Silva, like Ozorio his opponent, was steady whilst Tommy Coleman, after a poor start, was brilliant after the refresher. Johnny Ribeiro played confidently and his pound-on shots were coming off regularly. Kempton was in excellent form and saved his side frequently, being a shade better than "Spuggy" who usually had the position.

FIRST POINTS FOR K.C.C.

Kowloon Cricket Club secured their first points at the expense of Club de Recreio's "B" team for whom only J. J. Basto managed to win. Frank Goodwin was his opponent and it looked at one time as if there was going to be only one rink in it and that wasn't Goodwin's! The home team, however, finished up very strongly and after being 14 to the bad at the half-way stage, they had a final deficit of only four. Whilst it must be admitted that the woods ran kindly for the Recreio men they nevertheless deserved their win as they were the more consistent team.

Machado had the better of Vic Labrum and, with Henry Basto pulling his weight for his brother, Joe Fraser had ample opportunity of playing his favourite heavy ones and, in these, he succeeded. Charlie Roza-Pereira, his opposite number, was drawing well, one spectacular shot near the end deserving a better fate. With the K.C.C. counting six he drew the shot with his last wood only for Frank Goodwin to rest him for the shot. The latter, apart from this spectacular effort, was right off his game and like all the players, found the fast green difficult.

Teddy Fincher had a big win at the expense of Jackie Noronha and it might well have been larger but for Johnny Remedios, who played an outstanding game for the losers. The home team all played well; Tommy Madar laid the foundation for victory, whilst Willie Hyde, substituting for George Moss who was ill, consolidated the position on most heads. Overy was called upon to do little in the circumstances but he did that little well, whilst Fincher had to pull out some good shots after Remedios had finished with the head.

Ernie Kern ran into a useful lead of nine shots in the first five heads against B. Basto but the Portuguese team pulled up well to become level at the 13th head and then take the lead by one shot at the 18th. When Basto had these last three heads to go, Noronha had finished 13 to the bad and J. J. Basto was six up with a couple more ends to play. "B.B." probably thought that he could pull the game out of the fire and took risks accordingly but failed badly. Kern chalking up three and four on the first two of these heads to make sure of the match.

It seems to me, though, that as J. J. had a useful lead, and B. B. was only one up at this critical stage, J. J. should have tried to win the game while "B. B." played safe. Don't you think so? As regards the play itself, Mulcahy was the outstanding player of the eight, though the Portuguese skip played many good shots. Tony Gutierrez was also good, though greater use might have been made of his pound-on shot, instead of a drive which he was frequently called up to use.

POLICE OUTCLASSED

I fully expected Police to put up a good fight at Sookunpoo, and even tipped them to win, but they were nowhere in the picture and the Indians doubled the visitors' score. As this implies, they were outbowling their opponents throughout the game. Dallah, for instance, led Orem by 24-1 after a dozen ends though the latter could not be greatly blamed for this deficit, for his front men were very poor and he was in a hopeless position at almost every head. Orem's



A head during the Second Division Lawn Bowls game between Taikoo and Police last Saturday at Taikoo. Police were narrowly defeated by four shots.

chief difficulty was short woods and Willie Dall was as great an offender in this respect as the lead and second man. Dallah was again in fine form though he earned little more recognition than his front men.

The left-handed Khan laid the foundation for Abbas' win against Fender, his drawing to the jack being uncanny, whilst "Abe" did all was asked of him to finalise matters. Fender, like his fellow skip mentioned above, was always in difficulties. Joe Carey on the other hand was going strongly against Minu and was leading by eight shots at the 12th head. The home team then got going and, overtaking their opponents at the 17th, eventually won by eight shots, two fours being amongst their last four heads. The two Minus did very well and Jack, in the form of the elder one, was as good as his master, Joe Carey, when it came to heavy ones!

EASY WIN

The close finish which I had expected at the Civil Service Club did not transpire as, after being a couple in the lead at the 10th head, Craigengower went ahead steadily and won by 20 shots.

Charlie Roosevelt had the biggest win and he played a brilliant game as skip against McGowan. Willie Hong Sling gave his side a good start whilst the other two were steady. Jack Deakin put up a lot of good woods but Collyer was not nearly as good as he has been in the last two games.

Omar, considerably helped by brother A. M.'s heavy ones, which were deadly, always had a slight edge on Harry Strange for whom Burling proved to be the best player. Razack was beating Purves and although K. M. Omar was useful, Burling often turned the head in his side's favour, just as A. M. reversed the position. Rakusen was not up to his usual form and Harry Strange has done better, though he saved one big count. U. M. was not quite as "U. M." as we have been used to!

Though Simmonds did not play badly, Joe Leonard had the better of him, and with Austin probably upset by his promotion to the first team, not up to form, Grimmit and Jones had to fight hard to keep Dick Bassa's men in check. After trailing all the way, the home team caught up at the 16th and it eventually became Bassa's worry to save his game. This he did to make a tie of it by chalking up a couple of twos on the last heads. Alf Coates was the hero of these two ends, as he drew the shot on each occasion with his opponents lying.

ANXIOUS MOMENTS

Kowloon Bowling Green Club had some anxious moments before they got the upper hand of the Hong Kong Footballers but, after being only three to the good at the interval, they had a useful margin at the finish. Sherriff, thanks to a four at the last head, had the best result, Walter Gill being his opponent. Deacon was better than Mansell and although Hodges shared the honours with Duncan as regards the visitors, John Gill had the better of him. George Sherriff put up some good woods and outshone Walter Gill who never seemed to settle down.

Adam Holland, for whom Willie Walker was again in deadly form as lead, was over a dozen to the good against Bebbington for whom Brooksbank as third man was most prominent, especially with his "blitzkrieg" shots which were connecting well. He had plenty of opportunities to use them as Harrower bowled valiantly as Holland's second man. Guy Stephens was useful as his opposite number, whilst Hyde Lay, who began poorly, was outshone by Brooksbank though he improved a lot as the game went on. Holland and Bebbington shared the honours. Kenneth Robertson had the satisfaction of having the only win for the visitors as he beat Hall by four shots after a ding-dong struggle.

"Timber" Wood, erstwhile Civil Service player, turned out as lead and had the better of Armstrong, whose weight was erratic, just as Gelling had the better of Waterton for the same reason. Lammert had the edge on Bert White but of two good skips, Hall had the most to do, and probably had the better of his opponent.

THIRD DIVISION

AMAZING HEAD AT MING YUEN

By "Skip"

Pride of place in my notes on the Third Division must go to Sloan's rink for their "possible" against Lam. It was scored at the eighth end and, unlike most scores of this size, it was the outcome of quite a good head, inasmuch as Tarbuck, who was very good all through, put a couple very near the jack and Gahagan was only a foot or so away with both his woods.

With the opposition trying to draw the shot, "Pa" Deacon put up a couple of shortish ones, about a yard shy and Sloan, having added to this bunch, ran through one of them with his last to make sure, both Dalgado and Lam having failed to get nearer than a yard and half of the jack.

"Stops" Thompson very nearly had a similar count—or should I say there were possibilities of it—a little later. The green was, of course, very fast and, with a long jack, the first six Craigengower woods had gone the way of all heavy ones, and the Electric men lay six! Thompson drew another and Alves joined the "bankers" with his first one. The home skip played a very short one, quite unintentionally I may add, and Alves came up and drew the very first shot! He won in a canter without the big count, however, as did Paul on the other rink, the opposition proving very weak.

Prison Officers had a satisfactory win at the expense of the Indians, who are still pointless. Tom Fife had the biggest win with Bill Bagley not far behind, but Jillett had a tight match with Bakar before emerging winner by four shots.

By mutual arrangement, Kowloon Football Club played at the Valley instead of having another double match on their green, and just got the better of the home team. Ben Evans' rink trailed for a long time but recovered after a rest to tie with George Gravers' four. Barnes was leading all the way against Jim Smith but only managed to win by a singleton, but Wallington was training Doctor Smalley all the way and lost by nine shots.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat Hong Kong Cricket on two rinks, Johnny Dinnen going down pretty badly to "Jimmy" Wild. Len Jordan beat Joe Prentice by a dozen shots in spite of a great display by Doughty as second man for the cricketers, whilst K. C. Hamilton, after sharing a dozen shots at the 10th end against Cassidy, ran right away from him to win by nearly 20.

CHINESE "Y" GALA ON SUNDAY

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. are holding a swimming gala on Sunday at Laichikok on starting at 12.30 p.m.

The following is the programme:—
400 Metres 4 style-relay (breast, back, free and side). Open to all Chinese.
100 Metres free-style. Members only.
50 Metres free-style. Winter Training class.
50 Metres free-style. Ladies.
Novelty Exhibition.
200 Metres breast-stroke. Members.
150 Metres medley relay. (breast, back and free). Inter-unions.
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SECOND DIVISION

H.K.C.C.'S
FINE WIN

By "Skip"

Although Duncan went down badly to McNeill who preserved his unbeaten record, both Brown and Maughan were well up with the result that the Cricket Club scored a sensational win over Craigengower, at the Valley.

Bert Maughan's rink beat Lewis to the extent of 10 shots and were good value for the win, Mout again being useful as second man to Maughan and George Costello simply glorying in the many heavy shots he had to put up.

Bill Way's four put up a sterner fight against Brown but the superb consistency of Alec Pearce and Mackenzie proved too much for them. Modi did well as second man but neither Lock nor Way were up to scratch. McNeill's rink proved far too strong for Duncan although the latter played well against big odds and saved the game at the very last head when he drew second shot with the enemy lying five for victory. Razack, and Randall, who seems wasted as second man, and more especially Zimmern outplayed their opposite numbers most of the way through the game. McNeill with an easier task than Duncan played steadily.

HARD FIGHT

Talkoo had to fight desperately hard to retain the points against the Police, even though they were at home, and it was only through a revival on the part of Stainton's rink, who scored on all the last five heads, which saved the day. The home team were trailing until the 19th end but scraped home by four shots. Although Stainton played a fine game against Willie McLeod, an equally good skip, to win by a couple, Dick Keown really carried the day for he was always leading Bill Hollands and won by nine shots despite some good work by J. C. Aitken—J. Atkins on the card—and his skip. Although Hillon was not as good as usual, Main was steady and Donald Munro very deadly, as was Keown himself. Andy Wright had the only visiting win when he overcame Chalmers by seven shots. His rink played very well together and always had a slight edge on Chalmers' men.

Kowloon Football Club surprised by the magnitude of their win against Club de Recife, for whom only O. P. Remedios won though he only saved his unbeaten record by a singleton. He overcame Bill Simpson after a good game in which he always held the lead. Bob Hughes was the outstanding man on the losers' side though Simpson's heavy ones were good whilst all of the Portuguese team were steady, one always coming in if the others failed.

Younghusband had a big win at the expense of Eddie Sousa whose team were out-bowled. Joe Gibson and Joe Eastman played a really great game as lead and second man, Hall was very steady and the home skip, though having few chances to shine, played his part well.

Field's four were always pressing Yvanovich for whom Remedios did the best, Charlie Alves as third man being narrow many times. Tony Lapsley was leading well for the home skip, who was very good after the interval, whilst Chittenden played a consistent game all through.

C.S.C.C. SWAMPED

Kowloon Bowling Green Club were all over the Civil Servants right from the start, and were nearly 40 to the good at the break. Sid Eccleshall had all the bad luck that was going against Guy and had to face a deficit of 24 shots to 1 at the above stage and though he held his own subsequently he could make no headway.

Morton played a wonderful game as lead to Guy and the following men backed him up well. Lockhart had a similar game against Hillier who was never in the running, although all his front men played well; Ted Searle was really outstanding as three to the home skip. Charlie Strange, himself, very nearly held Bob Duncan for he was in deadly form and seemed unlucky to lose by means of losing a four to Duncan at the last head, though I do not mean it to be understood that it was not a good four. Pope was again Duncan's best man, though Levett also did well and, as I have indicated, Charlie Strange had a decided edge on his opposing skip.

Kowloon Tong, playing at home, scored a great win over Kowloon Cricket Club, all rinks sharing in the spoils. Tommy Carr's rink, hitherto unbeaten, came a cropper at the hands of Tony Basto, and this after leading by 10 shots to nil after four heads.

These four heads were all Carr's so to speak for he played like a wizard early on in the game and was by no means poor subsequently.

The opposition was too strong for the remainder of the game and the visitors could score only four more shots to Basto's 31. The Suburbanites played like men possessed. Mackay was good and Tatchi, apart from one single head, was never anywhere near him, whilst Hsu kept on putting them in as required. Harry Gittins, opposed to Ted Ramsay, who was probably the best of the opposition taking the game as a whole, drew or put a yard or two on with equal facility. Tony Basto played his best game of the season, and rose to great heights.

On the middle rink Kew just beat Spary, a former team-mate, after a very even game, a five towards the finish turning the scales. Though Ted Castro was good, it was really a skips' game, as both of them played very well. Bob Marks, skipping the other visiting rink, was also in the limelight but his efforts and those of Parsons his number three, could not quite save the game against Stephens' four, who were all very steady.

BASEBALL

H. B. PROTEST DISALLOWED

At a meeting held at the Brook Club yesterday, the Committee of the Hong Kong Baseball League, augmented by Johnny Mayhew in the role of advisor, rejected the protest of H.B. brought by manager Hal Winglee, regarding their contest against Chinese Baseball Club last Saturday.

Winglee's protest was that:

(1) In the first of the sixth, with H.B. at bat, Leonard stole home from third. The Umpire called him safe, and then afterwards called the batter out. The Umpire did not allow the run to score. My protest is based on the ruling set out in Rule 52, which states that:

"One run shall be scored every time a base-runner, after having legally touched the first three bases, shall legally touch the home plate before three men are put out."

The third put-out was not made before the runner reached home, as the Umpire called the runner safe and then the batter out, and therefore the run should be allowed.

(2) In the last of the sixth, after the

H.B. pitcher M. Arculli, had finished batting, the Umpire did not allow him his five warm-up throws, as shown in the explanatory notes in Rule 30, Section 2, which reads as follows:

"At the beginning of each inning the pitcher is allowed to throw five balls to the catcher, or to an infielder for 'warming-up' practice, the batsman refraining from occupying his position in the box at the home plate."

The Umpire insisted on playing ball after only three throws were made. In view of the above and that insufficient time was given to the pitcher to rest the protest is made. There was no delay, as Arculli threw his first warm-up pitch the moment he got out and the catcher never took any peg to second as has been customarily done in the local League. Owing to insufficient warming up Bill Chang, first man up for Chung Hwa, made a hit off Arculli.

(3) After calling 'play' at the commencement of the above inning, the Umpire proceeded to call one ball in favour of the batsman, although the pitcher was not ready (as pointed out in 2) to do so, and he was not even near his box as he was watching the catcher's signals at that time. As there is no ruling allowing an umpire to call a ball when the pitcher is not in the box, the protest is made.

This game finished in less than two

hours which is one of the quickest in the local League, and that any suggestion of delay on the part of any one team is absurd, as the weather was fine."

As Umpire Wilson contended that the ball crossed the plate before Dave Leonard, the protest (1) was immediately thrown out.

Protest (2) was also thrown out because the Umpire is the sole judge of the length of time the pitcher is permitted to warm up as per Rule 31, footnote:

"Not only is there a penalty of a called ball against the pitcher if he fails to deliver the ball to the batter within 20 seconds but if the Umpire concludes that he is trying to delay the game he may call a balk which would score a runner on third base and advance a runner on any other base."

Protest (3) was likewise disposed of.

GOLF STARTING
TIMES

Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling:—

SUNDAY

Old Course

9.16 a.m.	G. M. Park, W. Hewitt.
9.20	D. Humphreys, I. H. Gear.
9.24	P. E. Annis, W. Harper.
9.28	A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
9.32	Lieut. Wyld, Lieut. Munro.
9.36	Pay. Lieut. Jesseman, Major Penfold.
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AN APPRECIATION
OF J. C. BROWN

By "Skip"

By the passing of Johnny Brown, lawn bowls in Hong Kong has lost a worthy exponent and one against whom it was always a pleasure to play. Not only was his manner on the green charming but he was the first to give credit to an opponent for a good shot.

I have recollections of playing him in a club competition some years ago and, thanks to a good handicap, was winning, when he played his last wood to turn the tables. It was a really good shot yet he seemed almost apologetic for having secured it and so eliminating a younger player.

In 1927, when Kowloon Dock went through the season unbeaten, Johnny Brown was runner-up to Bob Lapsley in the Open Singles Championship and he secured his first Interport "cap" to play Number Three to Adam Holland, who beat Sandy Malcolm by a single shot. He again went to Shanghai in 1932, playing in all three games as three to U. M. Omar. The side won all their games and he earned his place the following year, again playing in the same position with Omar, when the rink won the deciding game.

I join with my readers in offering the deepest sympathy to his widow and two daughters, Mrs. "Joe" Eastman and Mrs. Munro.

P.O.C. BEAT
GOVERNMENT HOUSE

In a friendly Lawn Bowls game played at Stanley on Wednesday, Prison Officers' Club beat Government House team by 24 shots.

P.O.C.	Government House
S. H. Marvin	W. Walker
W. E. Webber	Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith
J. W. Fitzgerald	J. Newton
W. J. Bagley	J. W. Deakin
(skip)	(skip)
22	20
V. H. Freeman	W. Cornell
J. W. Hudson	F. Flippance
C. Gowland	B. A. Archbutt
T. M. Pile	A. Shields
(skip)	(skip)
19	18
S. Hodge	J. A. Fraser
F. N. Hill	Sir Atholl MacGregor
J. M. McCutcheon	E. A. Searle
A. Jilior	J. Smith
(skip)	(skip)
33	12
Totals	74

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A Survey Of British Sport

By Kenneth McMillan
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BRITISH Sport is awakening from its winter sleep and looks forward to summer months. Even footballers after a season lasting nearly eight months have carried on until this month, so great is the call on all sides for out-of-doors recreation by the masses.

They will be joined by cricketers, tennis players, speedway riders, swimmers, athletes and golfers—all intent on keeping the flag flying against the time when the young men come home from the war.

Strange as this may seem there is a reason for Great Britain's ability to "carry on" in spite of the war, and all its obligations, civil and military.

First comes Conscription which leaves young men free to play until the fateful Calling-up day. They can do so with complete ease of conscience, knowing they will not be regarded as shirkers but rather as men who are keeping fit for service when the day dawns. That did not happen in the last Great War.

There are also the young men, too young to be called up. Clubs are anxious that they should not be lost to

the game, whatever be their inclination. They are to be given the opportunity—and it is a golden one—of being taught while they are free as civilians, so that they may resume their place in sport when the war is over. Many championships will be won this summer in Great Britain by players still in their 'teens.

THEN there are the old 'uns. Those who fought in the last war and are not yet wanted. They are working hard in offices and factories all over the country—some making munitions—and they play to keep fit.

Not a few of them have returned to the spheres they once adorned, either to coach the young or once again to hear the cheers of the crowds they used to thrill.

Organised sport is indeed playing a full part in keeping up the spirits of wartime Britain.

Crowds at football matches, racecourses, dog tracks and boxing halls are bigger than they have been at any time since the war started.

This, to a certain degree, is due to the early adoption of Summer Time this year, giving sport fans the opportunity of getting out to their favourite pastimes. It is also due to a

general all-round tuning-up in the standards of entertainment offered to the British public by enterprising sports promoters.

Summer skies herald the dawn of cricket which will come to life shortly, and if games are being restricted to two days, this will be all to the good and provide a spur for brighter and better games than even pre-war days could provide.

County and club cricket teams all over the country are getting going, and the British Government have promised the clubs will not lose their pitches for war purposes except in a special emergency.

SPEEDWAY racing usually comes to life about this time of the year, and already crowds of fifteen thousand have been watching the motor cyclists hurtling their way round London tracks.

Though there will be little organised racing this season, fans of the dirt track—and they number many women in their ranks—will once again be able to see their stars in action. Many of the riders are, of course, Americans and Australians.

Then we are promised a grand array of athletic talent at the White City,

London and in Manchester. The three Services have claimed most of the best British runners, but it is hoped to draw them into the arena in matches against each other and against civilian and Dominion Army teams.

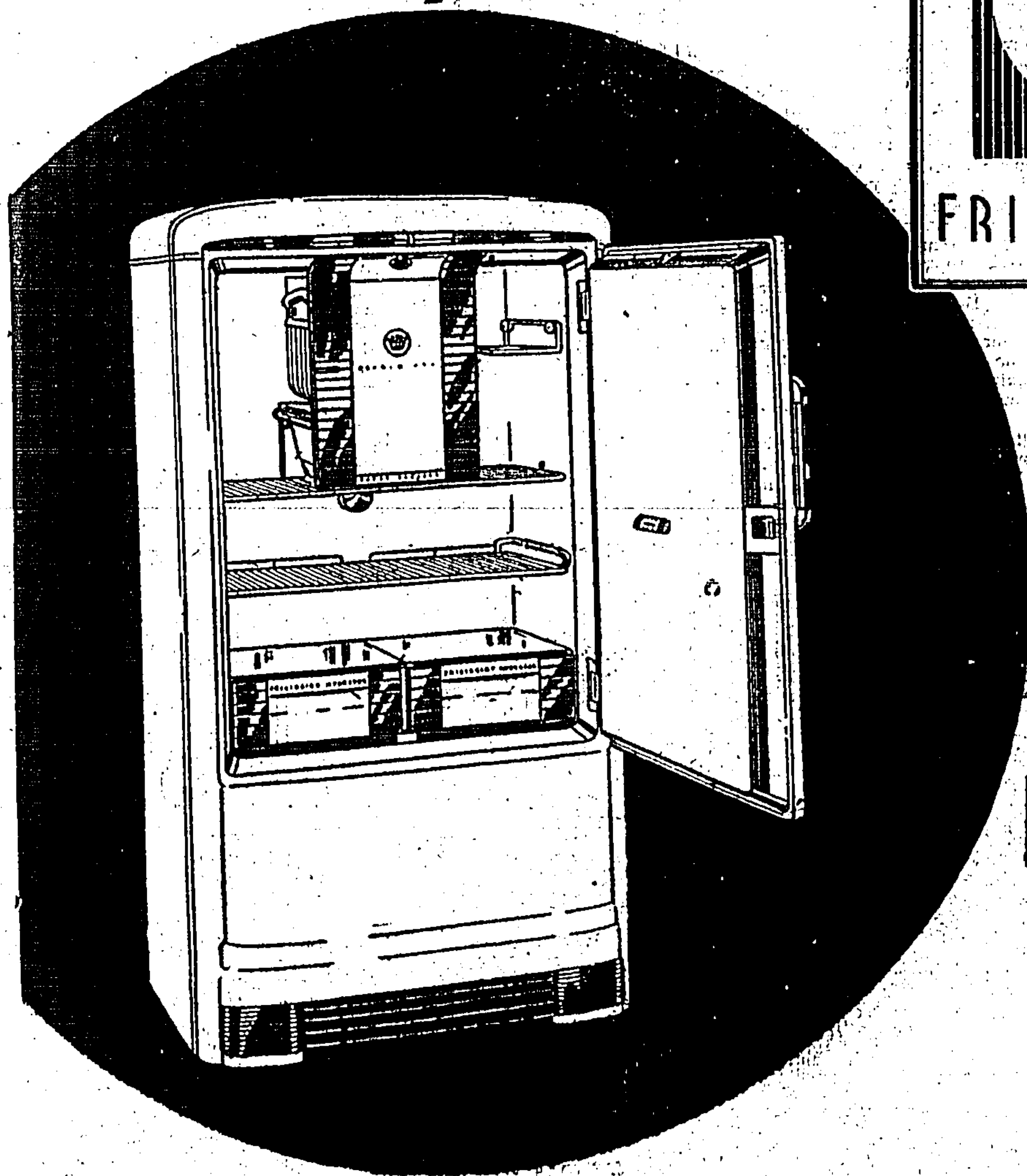
THE coming of the Empire men to Britain's aid, after twenty years of peace, was only to be expected because of the close links which bound them, as a result of the tours which had become a regular part of the sporting life of the country. Already these young giants from the Dominions have given a fillip to many home sports during the winter months, when the dark nights called for some light diversion to keep the nation from thinking too much about the war.

Rugby football has benefited by the presence in Britain of New Zealanders and South Africans; while the Canadians have given ice hockey a much needed boost by sending their crack regimental sides to compete against the best that London could produce.

GOLFERS, if they have done nothing else, have rolled up in their thousands to support games between the stars for the Red Cross Fund, and

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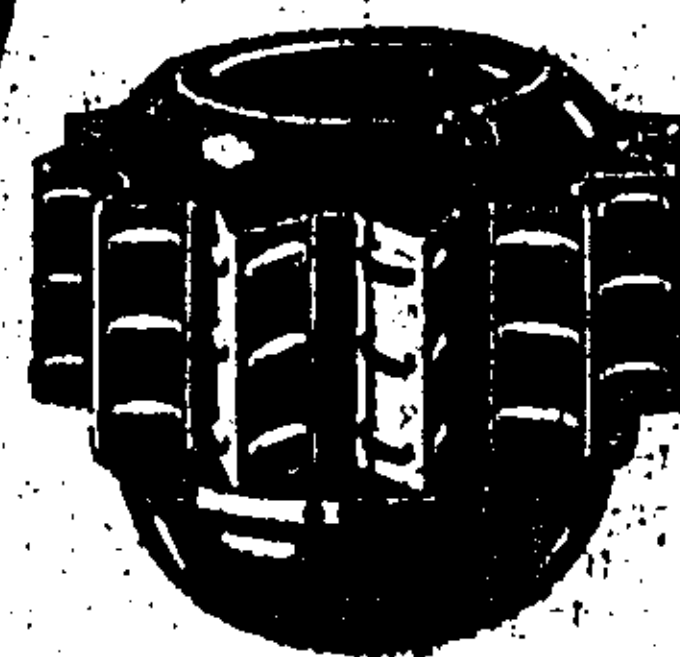
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BOWLING ALLEYS

By "STRIKE"

The Dare Devils are still victorious and have never lost a match.

They played the Argonauts in a friendly 5-game Ten Pin match on June 12, the match resulting in a decided win for the Dare Devils by no less than 454 pins.

On this occasion Joe Harvey and Albert Odell were unable to turn out for them, but W. H. Lambert and E. L. Wood, both of U.S.S. "Asheville", very sportingly filled in the gaps.

The scores were as follows:

DARE DEVILS	ARGONAUTS
Total	Total
H. Blount..... 870	D. Hall..... 710
J. H. Watts..... 831	S. A. Ismail... 702
E. L. Woods..... 791	D. E. Norman... 670
W. H. Lambert... 699	G. Birkett..... 648

Blount was again top scorer in the match, bagging no less than 870 pins or an average of 174 pins per game; he did not secure a 200 during the match, but was very close to it in his third game when he made 197.

Watts was easily second high scorer with 831; his closest score to the 200 mark was on his 4th game, when he made 193 pins. As a matter of fact Blount's 197 and Watts' 193 were easily the highest individual scores for any game during the match.

Apart from Watts and Blount, the standard of bowling was not brilliant, all the other players being a long way behind to average about 130 to 150 per player.

Also on the same day, there was quite an interesting match played between the "Asheville Razzers" and the "Asheville Wise Guys".

On this occasion the "Wise Guys" won very comfortably by no less than 369 pins. Individual scores were as follows:—

WISE GUYS	RAZZERS
Total	Total
G. C. Merkel..... 814	C. J. Summers 714
V. V. Vining..... 799	D. E. Norman... 693
L. C. Garrett..... 723	E. L. Wood..... 645
C. F. Rozum..... 717	W. C. Cooley... 632

Merkel and Vining, for Wise Guys, were undoubtedly the star bowlers of the match, the former player's 814 working out at 163 pins per game and the latter's, 160 pins per game; the rest of both teams were well behind with about an average of 140 pins per player.

No doubt the fact that this match was played in the early afternoon, and therefore in the full heat of the day, was a contributing factor to the very lowly scoring.

The healthy razzing and good fun, however, made the match a very interesting one to watch.

MOLTHEN WINS

Doc. Molthen played F. P. Hollis of U.S.S. Mindanao in the third round of the Singles Handicap Competition on Monday. The match resulted in a win for Doc. Molthen by 43 pins.

Doc's handicap was plus 20 and Hollis' plus 26, so Doc. Molthen was conceding 6 pins per game or 18 pins for the three games played.

The individual scores were as follows:—

1st	2nd	3rd	Receives To
-Doc. Molthen (plus 20)	165	194	161
-F. P. Hollis (plus 26)	166	179	114

Doc. Molthen's average worked out at 173 pins per game, which is undoubtedly lower than his capabilities, while Hollis' average, including his handicap of 18, was also very low for him. In his third game he only managed to notch 114!

There was a very exciting and closely fought five game Duck Pin match played on Monday last between U.S.S. Mindanao Black Gang and U.S.S. Mindanao Deck Gang, the scores being:—

MINDANAO BLACK GANG	MINDANAO DECK GANG
Total	Total
W. S. Chase..... 473	J. D. Bowersox 462
H. Ruel..... 466	T. A. Slater.... 441
H. Bondar..... 421	E. Sangiorgio... 433
J. F. Jarecki.... 392	J. B. Cook..... 400

A SURVEY OF BRITISH SPORT

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like all other sportsmen they have contributed magnificently to war charities.

It is estimated that in the first six months of the war a noble sum was raised on the playing fields of Great Britain for the most deserving of all objects, and no charitable cause to-day appeals in vain to the sporting fraternity for help.

As the summer rolls on cricketers and tennis players will add their quotas to charitable funds, and it is hoped to stage on the Centre Court at Wimbledon matches in which many stars will play—just as they would have done in the calmer years of peace for their country in Davis Cup matches, or in the famous championships in which all nations used to compete and thrill many a British crowd.

I was very favourably impressed by the performance of both sides, the scoring all-round being very steady and consistent.

Our old friend, W. S. Chase, for the Black Gangs, was the star bowler and his 473 was good, his average working out at 95 pins per game; it only required a spare or a strike to make him 500 for an average of 100 pins per game.

H. Ruel was not very far behind, his effort of 466 pins being really good constant bowling; I have not seen such consistency for a long time, as his score shows, 99, 99, 87, 90, 91.

The third best score was made by Bowersox of Black Gangs, this player is new to the Alleys and I can prophesy great things for him in the near future. His average was 92 pins per game.

The average per player per game for the Black Gangs worked out at 87.6 pins per player per game, while, for the Deck Gangs, the average worked out at 86.8 pins per player per game, so it can easily be seen how close the game was, and how keenly contested. Black Gang won by the very narrow margin of 16 pins.

In the first game Black Gang were up by 2 pins only; in the second game they were only 7 pins up; in the third game they were 10 pins up, and were 19 pins up in the fourth game to finish on the last game by 16 pins. The question of winning was left in doubt right up to the last game.

On Tuesday we again saw the Dare Devils in action against U.S.S. Tulsa.

The match resulted in a 289-pin win for Dare Devils, who thus keep up their unbeaten record.

The individual scores were:—

DARE DEVILS	U.S.S. TULSA
Total	Total
H. Blount..... 943	F. Spenko..... 784
J. H. Watts..... 780	A. A. Borg..... 783
E. P. Hollis..... 773	E. J. Moore..... 684
R. E. Skiver..... 719	P. Peterson..... 675

Again on this occasion Blount for the Dare Devils, was easily the highest scorer for the match, his bag being 943 or an average of 189 pins per game; had he made another 7 pins to total 950; he would have averaged 190 pins per game.

The next highest score was made by F. Spenko for Tulsa, with 784 or an average of 157 pins per game.

Watts for Dare Devils, was third high score with 780 or an average of 156 pins per game.

On the whole, with the exception of Corp. Blount's good score, the rest of the players were bad, averaging only 135 to 156 pins.

BLOUNT'S GOOD BOWLING

As a matter of interest I have been through Corp Blount's records. In his last 10 Ten Pin matches he has scored no less than 8,568 pins, the average per match being 856.8 pins, and the average per game for the 50 games played being 171.2 pins per game. This probably constitutes a record in these Alleys.

In the above match it is worthy of note that Cpl. Blount was the only player who reached the 200 score, he securing 206 on his first game, and 221 pins on his last game.

On Wednesday, there was a very interesting and closely-contested five-game Duck Pin match between Royal Signals and Mindanao, resulting in a win for the Signals by 60 pins only, the scores being as follows:—

ROYAL SIGNALS	MINDANAO
Total	Total
Cpl. Blount..... 495	W. S. Chase.... 451
S. Neate..... 451	H. Ruel..... 438
A. R. Wilkins... 417	H. Bondar..... 428
G. Birkett..... 388	J. F. Jarecki... 376

From the above scores it can be seen how keen and close was the match, the average score for the Signals per player per game being 87.2 pins, and for the Mindanao Black Gang, 84.2.

Blount again was top scorer with 495, or an average of 99 pins per game. Signalmen Neate for Royal Signals and W. S. Chase for Mindanao Black Gang tied for the honour of being second high scorers with 451 in their bags, or an average of 90 pins per game. Both of these players were steady, and I feel that I will have some excellent scores by these players to report in these columns, in the near future.

Old friend Ruel was again amongst the top-notchers as usual with 438 or 87 pins per game.

On the whole the scoring all round was satisfactory and the match was a good one. In the first game Black Gang were leading by 29 pins; in the second game Royal Signals wiped this deficit out to lead by four pins; on the third game Black Gang was up by one pin, and on the fourth game Royal Signals were three pins up; in the last game Royal Signals came up to lead by 60 pins at the finish.

E. J. Moore of U.S.S. Tulsa has, up to time of writing these Jottings, registered the highest score for Ten Pins for this month; he bagged 236 on Monday his scoring-sheet showing:—commencing on his first frame with a spare, he then made six strikes in a row, a spare on his eighth frame, to fall on his ninth frame to make a nine; a spare on the 10th frame and a strike with his extra ball.

MISS NANCY NG AGAIN

This young lady has the highest score for Ladies at Ten Pins up to writing these Jottings; she knocked up a 211 on June 11; had she made another spare or a strike, she would have beaten her own record of 223, which score she holds with Mrs. S. A. Ismail as the Alley record for Ladies.

J. A. Vasko of Tulsa has the highest Duck Pin score for men up to the time of writing, his effort being 141 made on Tuesday. There is little doubt that if Vasko had the time to put in more practice, he would probably be the best Duck Pin player in the Alley.

ARMY TENNIS

Two further matches were played in the Army Tennis League yesterday.

R.E. v. SIGNALS

In a Second Division Army League tennis match at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, the Royal Engineers beat the Royal Corps of Signals by 9 sets to nil.

Capt. Bird and Capt. Freeman (R.E.)	beat C.Q.M.S. Swyres and Cpl. Gorman	6-1
beat Sgt. Brakenberry and Sgt. Langley		6-2
beat L/Cpl. Love and L/Cpl. Sewelly		6-0
Q.M.S. Rivett and S/Sgt. Quinell (R.E.)	beat Swyres and Gorman	6-0
beat Brakenberry and Langley		6-2
beat Love and Sewelly		6-4
L/Sgt. Spencer and L/Cpl. Shaw (R.E.)	beat Swyres and Gorman	6-1
beat Brakenberry and Langley		6-4
beat Love and Sewelly		6-0

5TH A.A. v. 36TH H. BATTERY

The 5th A.A. Battery, Royal Artillery, lost to the 36th Heavy Battery, R.A., by 5 sets to 4 in a Second Division Army League tennis match yesterday.

Sgt. Hicks and S.M. Mills (5th A.A.)	lost to Capt. Mills and Sgt. Simpson	3-6
lost to Sgt. Coughlin and Bdr. Savage		1-6
beat Bdr. Fiddy and Bdr. Barracough		6-1
Bdr. Geedenough and Gnr. Wooldridge (5th A.A.)	beat Mills and Simpson	6-4
beat Coughlin and Savage		6-3
lost to Fiddy and Barracough		3-6
L/Bdr. Whitmore and Gnr. Burgess (5th A.A.)	beat Mills and Simpson	6-2
lost to Coughlin and Savage		1-6
lost to Fiddy and Barracough		6-3

YESTERDAY'S TENNIS

Despite showers late in the afternoon, three "D" Division League tennis matches were played yesterday.

C.B.A. v. C.C.C.

Central British Association were losing 5-0 to Craigengower when rain set in and the remaining games were abandoned.

E. Bull and C. Semmelmann (C.B.A.)	lost to K. M. Au and C. M. Lee	1-6
lost to N. Leonard and A. Hung		0-6
T. Lockhart and V. C. Bond (C.B.A.)	lost to Au and Lee	0-6
lost to A. B. Hamson and H. P. Lim		1-6
G. Gurevitch and N. Dunne (C.B.A.)	lost to Leonard and Hung	4-6

C.R.C. v F.C.

Chinese beat Filipinos 6-3.

H. A. Ribeiro and F. Gonzalez (F.C.)	lost to Y. Y. Lam and S. Cheung	0-6
beat L. F. Hon and Y. W. Chung		6-4
lost to C. Y. Tso and C. Y. Tse		3-6
L. Sien and A. Kwan (F.C.)	lost to Lam and Cheung	1-4
lost to Hon and Chung		2-6
lost to Tso and Tse		2-6
A. Banker and L. Souza (F.C.)	lost to Lam and Cheung	0-6
beat Hon and Chung		6-4
beat Tso and Tse		7-5

SOUTH CHINA v K.C.C.

South China beat Kowloon 8-1.

K. T. Ng and K. C. Wong (S. China)	beat E. Gillard and E. Eymard	6-4
beat R. Turpin and H. Crabb		6-2
beat A. E. Perry and H. Stokes		6-2
C. S. Wong and S. T. Li (S. China)	lost to Gillard and Eymard	4-6
beat Turpin and Crabb		6-0
beat Perry and Stokes		6-2
K. Sung and K. C. Wan (S. China)	beat Gillard and Eymard	6-4
beat Turpin and Crabb		6-1
beat Perry and Stokes		6-0

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
C.R.C. "B"	3	3	0	0	18½	8½	6
S.C.A.A.	2	2	0	0	15½	2½	4
C.R.C. "A"	2	2	0	0	13	5	4
Filipino Club	2	1	0	1	11	7	2
I.R.C.	2	1	0	1	9	9	2
K.I.T.C.	3	1	0	2	11½	15½	2
K.C.C.	3	1	0	2	11	16	2
C.C.C.	4	1	0	3	11½	20½	2
C.B.A.	3	0	0	3	3	20	0

TO-DAY'S WATERPOLO

There will be a waterpolo match at the Eastern Swimming Pavilion at North Point, commencing at 6.30 p.m. to-day, between Eastern Athletic Association and the International waterpolo team.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

FIRST swimming gala to be staged in the new Swimming Pool in Victoria Barracks, took place on Wednesday evening, when Victoria Recreation Club were entertained by the Royal Scots. The V.R.C. swimmers gave a number of exhibitions

which delighted the large crowd that witnessed them. Despite a 16-seconds handicap A. K. Rumjahn easily beat Cpl. Sutherland in the 100 yards backstroke, Lieut. Hunter coming a close third. A. J. Hussain, the other V.R.C. swimmer in this event, who conceded 11 seconds to the squaddies, was unplaced. In the 100 yards Free-style, Bandmaster Jordan dead-heat-ed for second place with C. Huang. David Hutchinson being an easy winner of the event. The Inter-Company team race was decided over four lengths of the bath (133 1/3 yards). The winner being Headquarter Company No. 2 team, with Headquarter No. 1 team close seconds; "B" Company filled third place. A great effort by Lieut. Buchanan, when he swam his length in 19 seconds, almost secured the victory for his team. The winning team was composed of Lieut. Dunlop, Bdsman. Slayter, L/Cpl. Morris, who gained valuable yards on his opponent, and Bandmaster Jordan. No. 1 team swimmers were Pte. McHugh, Lieut. Buchanan, Pte. Davidson, and Pte. Byrne.

An exhibition of Diving was given by E. da Roza and Stanley Lee of V.R.C. Their performances were excellent, considering the high board at the bath is not the regulation height from the water. Something should be done to rectify this matter at any early date.

Last event of the evening was a Water Polo match between the Royals and V.R.C. Again the absence of regulation nets did not improve the game any. Many water polo fans are asking when the nets will eventually appear; that is a question that no one seems to be able to answer. The water polo committee requested that first round matches in the Small Units' Knockout should be played by June 17 and absence of nets, no doubt, has been responsible for some of these matches not being played. The Royals, however, prepared some makeshift nets, which served their purpose fairly well. V.R.C. opened the scoring and Lieut. Millar replied a few minutes afterwards, but the V.R.C. soon began to exert their superiority and were leading by 3 goals to 1 at the interval.

In the second half the score was repeated Bandmaster Jordan being responsible for the Royals' goal. Bankier played well in goal and Lieut. Hunter was a 'tower' of strength in the defence. Slayter was always active, as was Sutherland, who might have been more useful had he kept further up the bath. Fielding and Jordan both kept swimming for the ball in an untiring manner and together with Lieut. Millar, were greatly responsible for avoiding a great defeat.

AT the present moment there seems to be a lively interest in Table Tennis and to-night the Service Corps will be seen battling against the Pay Corps at the Cheero Club. Both the "Newgate Blues" and the "Pay Blokes" are supposed to have good talent amongst their players. The "Newgate Blues" have games in the offing with other Units and their Secretary has issued a challenge without restrictions to all units in the Colony. Those interested should write to The Hon. Secretary, Table Tennis, R.A.S.C., Queen's Road, Hong Kong.

THINGS have certainly been looking up in the Army tennis world, the Army Tennis Club "B" Tennis League team having won both of their last two matches—a great improvement. Now the "C" League team have woken up and won their first match by 8 sets to 1.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



Beethoven
Symphony

To-day's Wireless

Variety,
Dance Music

6.00 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 36.
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Clemens Krauss.
6.32 p.m.—Schumann—Etudes Symphoniques.
Alfred Cortot (Piano).
6.58 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.00 p.m.—Songs by Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano).
Song of India ('Sadko'—Rimsky-Korsakov); The Warbler ('Zemire et Azor'—Gretzy); Air and Variations (Proch) . . . with Orchestral accompaniment.
7.12 p.m.—Cello Recital by Pablo Casals.
Musette (Bach-Pollain); Mazurka, Op. 11, No. 3 (Popper); A Village Song, Op. 62, No. 2 (Popper); Apres Un Reve (Faure) . . . with

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Spanish Dance (Granados, arr. Casals); Vito (Spanish Dance) Op. 54, No. 5 (Popper) . . . with Piano accomp. by Nikolai Mednikoff.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Ballads.
Sombre Woods (Lully); Down Here (Brähe) . . . Manuel Hemingway (Bass) with Piano.
The Better Land (Hermans-Cowen); The Children's Home (Weatherly-Cowen) . . . Catherine Stewart

(Contralto) with Organ.
8.18 p.m.—Eileen Joyce at the Piano.
Butterfly, Op. 43, No. 1 (Grieg); Melodie, Op. 47, No. 3 (Grieg); Solitary Traveller, Op. 43, No. 2 (Grieg); Brooklet, Op. 62, No. 4 (Grieg).
Novelette, Op. 21, No. 6 (Schumann).
8.30 p.m.—The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.
Pique Dame, Overture (Suppe); Idylle Bretonne (Gennin); Fluttering Birds (Gennin); The Two Imps (Alford).
8.50 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Quartet in D Major, Op. 44, No. 1.
Stradivarius String Quartet.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"World Affairs."
9.45 p.m.—Variety with Elsie & Doris Waters, Arthur Askey, Billy Mayer, George van Dusen & Others.
Piano—"Viktoria & Her Hussar"—

Medley (Abraham) . . . Raie da Costa.
Comedienne—Gert, Daisy, A Piano—and How! (E. & D. Water . . . Elsie & Doris Waters.
Comedian—I Pulled Myself Together! (Askey); Ding Dong Bell (Askey) . . . Arthur Askey with Piano.
Comedienne—Nervous (Picon-Ellstein); It's Love (Picon-Ellstein) . . . Molly Picon with Orchestra.
Yodeller—The Yodelling Bullfighter (Farrell-Stodden); The Yodelling Chinaman (Farrell-Stodden) . . . Georg Van Dusen with Orchestra.
Piano—Sweet Nothings (Rettenberg); Jasmine—A Syncopated Impression (Billy Mayerl) . . . Billy Mayerl.
Sketch—You're Telling Me (From the Sketch presented at the Royal Command Performance, India Office, on 23rd March, 1939, in the presence of Their Majesties, The King and Queen and President Lebrun) . . . Sacha Guitry and Seymour Hicks assisted by Mlle. Genevieve de S.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

Winning CONTRACT

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DIFFICULT DEFENCE

In to-day's hand South was undoubtedly the star. East made things as difficult as possible for his vulnerable opponents by his jump raise to five diamonds. While South might well have doubled this bid, he preferred to leave the decision to his partner. Unwilling to be shut out, North boldly bid five hearts. Now South made the really brilliant bid of six clubs. He reasoned, first, that North would hold no more than one diamond; second, that his own solid club suit would be safer than hearts, even though he held four.

defeated in three different ways: (1) a small diamond opening by West and a heart return; (2) a trump opening by West; (3) if after opening the diamond King West had continued the suit, South would have had one less entry to dummy and therefore would have been unable to establish the spade suit. Still and all, the best defence against this Slam contract was not easy to visualize and West should not be criticized too severely.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner; both sides were vulnerable and you had 90 on score. Your hand was:

♠ A Q x x
♥ J x
♦ K J 10 x x
♣ Q x

The bidding:

Jacoby Maier You Schenken
1♠ Pass (?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is one diamond. Even though you have 90 on score, you should make some bid with this hand.

Score 100% for one diamond, 40% for pass, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 442

You are Merwin Maier's partner. Both sides are vulnerable, you have 90 on score and again you hold:

♠ A Q x x
♥ J x
♦ K J 10 x x
♣ Q x

The bidding:

Maier Burnstone You Schenken
1♠ Pass 1♠ Pass
2♥ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released By The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

South, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

♠ A K 10 7 2
♥ K 10 8 4 3
♦ 7
♣ 6 5

♠ Q 9 8 6
♥ —
♦ A K 10
♣ 4 3
10 9 8 2

♠ 4
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A K Q J 7 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	1♠	1♠	5♠
Pass	Pass	5♥	Pass
3♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Now for the play: West opened the King of diamonds, then shifted to a spade. Winning in dummy, South trumped a spade, ruffed his other diamond, then trumped a second spade. Declarer then drew trumps and discarded his two small hearts on dummy's two established spade tricks.

Actually, the contract could have been

KONOYE'S DECISION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
TOKYO, TO-DAY.

PRINCE FUMIMARO KONOYE, PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL AND FORMER PREMIER, INTENDS TO RESIGN HIS PRESENT POST AS SOON AS EMPEROR PU YI OF "MANCHUKUO" CONCLUDES HIS VISIT TO JAPAN.

Prince Konoye wishes to take an active role in the single party movement which at present appears to be at a standstill owing to the delay of Prince Konoye's resignation.

The efforts of Mr. Fusanosuke Kuhara, President of the Seiyukai faction, to push his single party campaign seem to have met with little success to date.—Havas.

HARBOUR TRAGEDY

The Police are making investigations following the discovery of the body of an elderly Chinese woman floating in the harbour near Holt's Wharf yesterday.

According to a police report, the body was fresh and there was a wound on the head.



Dieting. Dot's weights and measures in her life used to come by the pound and the yard but nowadays they add up in calories.

Mr. Cutchel, driving in Canton Road yesterday morning, collided with a car which was being pushed by some workmen. Damage was slight.



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BATTLE FOR ICHANG JAPANESE NOTE TO AXIS POWERS

Chungking, To-day.

A Chinese military spokesman said in a press interview yesterday that Ichang which was recaptured by the Chinese on June 17 was again lost to the Japanese on June 18 but Shasi, 110 miles above Hankow, was recaptured on June 19.

According to the spokesman, Chinese troops are now deployed in the outskirts of Ichang. After two days' severe counter-assaults, they have reached within one third of a mile from the city and are expecting to break into it again momentarily.—Central News.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tokyo, To-day.

Japan is reported to have made official representations to Germany and Italy about the status of French colonial possessions in the Far East.

There are meanwhile persistent rumours of Japanese naval and military concentrations in southern Kwangtung, Hainan and Weichow.—Havas.

French Acceptance

Tokyo, To-day.

Declaring that the French acceptance of Japan's demand in regard to Indo-China amounts in substance to closing the Yunnan-Indo-China border, the "Asahi Shimbun" stresses that the passage of Chinese will be markedly restricted and visits of Chinese leaders to foreign countries through Indo-China will virtually be impossible.

Japan's acceptance of the French reply, the newspaper adds, has resulted in a settlement of the negotiations for removal of Indo-China's pro-Chiang Kai-shek activities.—Reuter.

working on Government munitions orders have been obliged to close down.

The ever-increasing flow of refugees from France into Switzerland has disrupted the normal life of the frontier region and is causing the Swiss Government grave concern.—Havas.

REPERCUSSIONS IN SWITZERLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berne, To-day.

The hostilities in south-eastern France, near the Swiss border, are having serious repercussions on Swiss industry and the economy of the Swiss nation as a whole, according to informed Swiss economic quarters.

They reported that several factories

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New York, To-day.

Joe Louis retained the world heavyweight title before 30,000 at the Yankee Stadium last night when he beat Arturo Godoy, of Chile, on a technical knock-out in the eighth of a scheduled 15-round bout. Godoy forced the fight for the first five rounds, frequently sending Louis to the ropes with body punches, but a cut over the left eye in the first round handicapped him in the later rounds. Godoy was floored for a count of six in the seventh round and for counts of six and five in the eighth round before the referee stopped the fight.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

Commenting on the air raids over Britain the "Daily Herald" says so far little damage has been done but the assaults have been small in scale. We must be ready as the campaign develops for real mass raids.

Several papers comment on the efficacy of the Anderson shelters. The "Daily Mail" says their ability to stand up to blast and splinters has been amply proved. In some cases bombs dropping only a few yards from a shelter have left the occupants unharmed.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

In a leader entitled "The German Dream," "The Times" this morning says the inspired publicists of the Nazi and Fascist press have been canvassing prospects of a new European order in which the Imperial obsessions of Rome combine with the megalomania of Berlin. Pointing out that Germany and Italy already possess a formidable conglomeration of territories, the paper says that exploitation of these assets by the invaders involves an immense task in administration. The Gestapo, instrument of revenge and terror, is not a permanent system of government. A heavy hand and ruthless suppression are not weapons by which proud and highly civilised nations can be organised and governed. The first sign of military reverses or widespread economic distress, which the occupation is doomed to create, would reveal the hollowness of Germany's control. Some 75,000,000 Germans, even assuming they are solid in loyalty to the Nazi cause, cannot permanently hold down 90,000,000 people united in hatred of the German yoke. A German-run and German-ridden Europe is not merely a nightmare, it is a tour de force which Germany cannot maintain. Economically the vision is still more unreal. The problem of organising Europe as a self-contained economic unit under German control, in defiance of the rest of the world, remains insoluble. Continental Europe is not and never has been self-supporting. even the transport system of the Continent is dependent on sea power. So long as sea power is denied the controller of the Continent, the lesson of Napoleon's Continental Blockade is still doubly valid. It is well understood that Hitler's domination, even if established, would lack every essential element of stability. Hitler cannot stop there. The conquest of Europe involves not only the conquest of Britain but of the world.—Reuter.

Madrid, To-day.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor have arrived in Barcelona.—Reuter.

Istanbul, To-day.

Turkey is hastily putting the finishing touches to her state of military preparedness and new measures are being taken as a precaution against repercussions in south-east Europe of the developments in France. The military authorities in the Istanbul area are reported to have called up individually several classes of reservists of all ranks, and have also requisitioned a large number of lorries and other motorised vehicles which, it is stated, are intended for East Thrace.—Reuter.

The Stewards of The Hong Kong Jockey Club have decided to appropriate the nett proceeds of the Special Cash Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap, scheduled to be run in October this year, for division equally between British War Funds and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.